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GRANITE MARKER at Merrymount Park sits near the Ruth Gordon Amphitheatre that was dedicated nearly 40 years ago. Visible above the marker is the outdoor entertainment venue named for the Quincy-born Academy Award winning actress. The city will not move forward at this time with plans to demolish it, according to Mayor Thomas Koch.

Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth

Plans To Demolish RG Amphitheater Shelved, Koch Says

By SCOTT JACKSON

Following public outcry, the city will not move forward at this time with plans to demolish the Ruth Gordon Amphitheatre.

"At this point it's a dead issue as far as it being changed," Mayor Thomas Koch said in a recent interview.

Construction of the am-

phitheatre, which is located adjacent to Pageant Field in Merrymount Park, began under then Mayor Joseph LaRaia and was completed years later in 1984. It was dedicated in honor of Gordon, a native of Quincy who had a successful career in Hollywood as an actress and screenwriter, winning the Academy Award for Best

Supporting Actress for her role in "Rosemary's Baby" and the Emmy for Lead Actress in a Comedy Series for her role in "Taxi."

Earlier in March, a group of residents began to raise concerns about a proposal to demolish in the amphitheatre. Those residents pointed to the minutes of the No-

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School Committee, Teachers Reach Tentative Agreement

By SCOTT JACKSON

The Quincy School Committee and Quincy Education Association have reached a tentative agreement on a new contract for

the city's teachers.

The two parties announced they had come to an agreement on the afternoon of March 24 following nine months of negotiations

and three mediation sessions.

"The Quincy School Committee and the Quincy Education Association are

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Koch Open To Review Of City Zoning Code

By SCOTT JACKSON

Mayor Thomas Koch is willing to work with city councillors on potential updates to the city's zoning code and map, he said recently.

City councillors on March 20 unanimously passed a resolution asking

the administration to start the process of reviewing the city's zoning code and map. The resolution asks the administration to put together a proposal to start the process of conducting a citywide review of the zoning code and map. That proposal would then be sub-

mitted to the City Council as the first step in the zoning review.

Asked about the resolution days later, Koch said it is the City Council that is responsible for setting zoning rules in the city and the administration would assist

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Pre-Need Burial Plots Available For Purchase At Pine Hill Cemetery

Mayor Thomas Koch announces the expansion of the Pine Hill Cemetery is continuing as planned and that Quincy residents are eligible to purchase pre-need burial plots for the first time in decades. Residents can visit the city's website (www.quincyma.gov) and purchase plots online or call the Cemetery Division Of-

fice at (617) 376-1295.

"Many people want to put the planning behind them and not leave it to loved ones during the grieving process," said Commissioner of Natural Resources Dave Murphy. "The availability of pre-need burial plots is a valuable service to our residents and I encourage folks to look into

it while there are still lots available."

The costs of a single plot which provide space for two burials is: \$1,500 for the lot, \$1,000 for perpetual care, and \$25 for the Deed (\$2,525 total). A double lot is \$5,025 (\$3,000 for the lot, \$2,000 for perpetual care and \$25 for the Deed.

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Koch No Longer Seeking Ban On Small Liquor Bottles

Will Advocate State To Change Bottle Bill To Include 'Nips'

By SCOTT JACKSON

Mayor Thomas Koch said he will push for changes to the state's bottle bill in lieu of a city-wide prohibition on the sale of small bottles of liquor commonly known as nips.

Koch first announced he would seek a ban on the sale of nips, defined as liquor bottles 100 milliliters

or less in size, during his January 2019 State of the City address. He cited concerns over nips littering city streets and ultimately finding their way into the ocean.

In a recent interview, the mayor said he would no longer be seeking a ban on nip sales following con-

versations with the city's liquor store owners. In lieu of the ban, Koch said he and those owners plan to lobby state lawmakers to update to state's bottle bill to include nips as one of the containers consumers would need to pay a 5-cent deposit on when purchasing. The nips

could then be returned for 5 cents each.

"I actually met with, I can't say all of them, but many of the liquor store owners. I met with a smaller group and then a larger group to listen to their concerns," Koch said.

"I put it on them, I said

'OK, put yourself in my shoes, how can we fix this?' I then suggested there has been each year a new bottle bill filed. The original bottle bill, there is a lot of stuff that isn't covered because stuff came out after that time frame. I said, would you people have a problem if we put a deposit on the nips, which would solve it

immediately - it would, immediately - and they had no problem with that.

"So, we're probably going to coordinate something together between the liquor stores and my administration to do something publicly to the legislature in support of the updated bottle bill."

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Quincy Rotary Club Raises \$100,000 For Thailand Farm

The Quincy Rotary has raised over \$100,000 to help develop the Sunflower Thrivable Farm in Chiang Rai, Thailand which provides housing, education and support for girls at risk for human trafficking.

Rotarians Margaret Laforest and Dolly Di Pesa led the efforts to obtain Quincy's Rotary Grant, which was partially funded by a Rotary International Global Grant, the local Maechn Rotary Club in Thailand, and many local donors. The Rotary Club of Quincy was honored at the 2022 Rotary Foundation Dinner in November 2022 for this global grant.

Di Pesa, Laforest, Patrick McDermott, and Quincy Rotary President Walter Hubley traveled to Thailand in January to meet with the Maechn Rotary and to meet the Thai Daughters to experience their new home. Jeff Laforest, Tracy Wilson, and Kathy Hubley (all Quincy residents and spouses of three of the Rotary members) joined the Quincy Rotarians on their trip.

Rotary is a global network of 1.4 million, neighbors, friends, leaders and



MEMBERS OF THE local Maechn Rotary Club in Thailand, together with Friends of Thai Daughters, along with: Walter Hubley (eighth in from left), president, Quincy Rotary Club; Dolly Di Pesa, Quincy Rotary member (co-organizer of grant); Patrick McDermott, Quincy Rotary member and Norfolk County sheriff; and Margaret Laforest, Quincy Rotary President-Elect (co-organizer of grant).

Photo Courtesy Quincy Rotary Club

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both the local and international levels, from helping those in need in their own communities to working

toward a polio-free world. For more information, visit Rotary.org. Quincy Rotary has

served the community since 1923. The club is looking for people who want to give back and make a difference

to join. Learn more about the Quincy Rotary Club at quincyrotary.com.

'Spring Fest' On The Hancock-Adams Common April 15

The City of Quincy will host "Spring Fest," a fami-

ly-friendly variety of dance performances, arts and crafts demonstrations, music and games on Saturday, April 15th.

The outdoor event will take place from noon to 6 p.m. on the Hancock-Adams Common, 1305 Hancock St.

All events are free to the public.

Scheduled performances will include Boston Chinese Dance, Brady Academy, CenterStage, Danceworks, Hung Gar Kung Fu & Lion Dance Academy, InSync, Quincy Jhankars, The Forbes School of Irish Dance and Velocity Dance Company.

"The city is graced with

a variety of very talented dance groups," said Mayor Thomas Koch. "We look forward to highlighting each and offering the public what we hope to be a beautiful spring afternoon on the Hancock-Adams Common."

Ellie's Treats, Thyme Traveling and Roxy's Grilled Cheese food trucks will be on site and food is available for purchase throughout the events.

For more information on this and upcoming events, follow the City of Quincy across social media and visit the City's website at quincyma.gov.

Quincy Art Association Spring Classes for Adults and Children



Register at QuincyArtma.org

ADULT CLASSES

1. Figure Sculpture

Dan Myers
6 Thursdays starting April 6, 2023
Thursdays, 7 to 10 pm (studio #1)
Minimum 2, Maximum 6
\$220 member, \$250 non-member
(All materials included)

2. Watercolor

Yvonne LaMothe
8 Mondays starting March 13
Mondays, 6:30 to 8:30 pm (studio #1)
\$230 member, \$260 non-member

3. Oil Painting Using Cold Wax

Tony Andrade
4 Wednesdays starting April 5
10 am to 12:30
\$130 member, \$160 non-member

4. Fundamentals of Painting (Acrylic & Oil)

Isabel Shamitz
6 Tuesdays starting April 4
Tuesdays, 10 am to 12 noon
\$150 member, \$180 non-member

5. Fundamentals of Drawing

Isabel Shamitz
6 Thursdays starting April 6
Thursdays, 10 am to noon
\$150 member, \$180 non-member

5. Adult Pottery Wheel

Sue Hoy
8 Thursdays starting March 30
Thursdays, 6 to 9 pm
Maximum of 6 (Clay studio)
\$300 member, \$330 non-member
(all material included)

6. Adult Pottery Wheel

Rose Igoo
8 Mondays starting Mar 27
(no class April 17)
Mondays 6 to 9 (clay studio)
Maximum of 6 to 9 pm
\$300 member, \$330 non-member
(all material included)

7. *Mixed Media/ Collage

Phyllis Andrade
4 Wednesdays, starting April 5
Wednesdays, 2 to 4 pm
\$100 members, \$130 non-members

8. Open Studio Life Class

Dan Myers & Kris Kreilman (model coordinators)
Ongoing nude figure/portrait class for adults (21 and over)
Tuesdays from 7 to 10 pm
\$15 cash for model

9. *Henna Tattoo

Prachi Bansal
6 Thursdays, starting April 6
Thursdays, 5 to 7 pm
\$150 members, \$180 non-members
(studio #2)

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

1. Play with Clay (Ages 6 to 12)

Sue Hoy
6 Wednesdays, 3:30 to 5 pm
Wednesday, starting March 22
Maximum of 6 (clay studio)
\$110 Member, \$140 Non-member

2. Teen Clay/Pottery Wheel

(ages 12-18)
Sue Hoy
6 Saturdays 10 am to noon
Saturdays starting March 25
Maximum of 6
\$170 members, \$200 non-members

3. *Explore the Arts (Grades 3 to 6)

Laura Glassman
5 Saturdays, 10 am to noon
Saturdays, starting April 8
\$100 member, \$130 non-members
Maximum of 6 studio #2

4. *Creating Comics! (Grades 6 to 9)

Eric Wyche
8 Sundays, 1 pm to 3
Sundays starting April 2
Studio #2
Maximum of 6
\$150 members, \$180 non-members

5. *Color Theory for Teens 13 to 18

Elysia Johnson
6 Mondays, 6 to 8 pm
Mondays, starting April 3
Studio #2
Maximum of 6
\$150 Members, \$180 non-members
*Descriptions of New Courses



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August Opening For Housing Resource Center

By SCOTT JACKSON

The new housing resource center on Broad Street that will replace Father Bill's Place is expected to open in August.

John Yazwinski, the president and CEO of Father Bill's & MainSpring, on March 20 provided city councillors with an update on the construction of the organization's new facility.

The non-profit plans to move from its shelter at 38 Broad St. to a new facility at 39 Broad St. The former building will be demolished as part of the city's effort to construct a new public safety headquarters on Sea Street.

Known as the Yawkey Housing Resource Center, the new facility at 39 Broad St. will feature two buildings totaling 36,000 square feet of space. One will include a 75-bed emergency shelter and a day center featuring various services and the other will have 30 units of permanent supportive housing.

Yazwinski said the new facility represents a new strategy for the organization.

"We always know what the back door strategy is to end homelessness - it's housing. But what's the front door? Do we continue to just manage homelessness in large warehouse-like dormitory settings or can we do better?" he said. "Thankfully, we really looked at the data, the years that we've been doing this - sadly over 30 years now - and we are excited to say that we are going with a new model called the housing resource center, the Yawkey Housing Resource Center."

"With a great partnership with the city of Quincy, we've been able to generate a new delivery model," he added. "What you're going to see now on 39 Broad St. that's being built right now is two facilities. You're going to have a new housing resource center, that is going to replace the Father Bill's shelter, and then you're also going to see 30 units of permanent, supportive housing where people have leases."

"It's going to target that chronic homeless group, the people that struggle in our communities the most, so it's not geared for the person that just needs us for a few days. Seventy or eighty percent of the people who come to us just need us for a few days, a few weeks, a few months. This is targeted for the people who might be our customer for a long period of time. That's where we can fit in to create the housing for people struggling with substance use, mental health, physical disabilities, fixed-income people."

On top of adding 30 new apartments, the housing resource center will be open during the day as opposed to the current shelter, which is only open at night.

"In the old facility we were only funded for nighttime services. This will be funded for 24 hours a day,"

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Patrick White Foundation Scholarships

The Patrick White Foundation will be offering scholarships in memory of Patrick White to the high school class of 2023.

If you are interested please send an e-mail requesting information to: ptwfoundation7@gmail.com.



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FATHER Bill's & MainSpring is constructing the Yawkey Housing Resource Center on Broad Street. The new facility is expected to cost \$26 million and open in August. The organization has received funding from the city, state and private donors for the project. *Courtesy Photo*

Seasonal Park Guide Position At ANHP

Adams National Historical Park in Quincy has a job opening for a seasonal park guide.

In this position, the park guide will serve as a front-line, uniformed representative of the NPS, welcoming the public to Adams. Primary duties will include staffing the visitor center which features books and memorabilia relating to the history of the Adams family and the formation of our nation. The park guide will also give tours of the historic homes of

two Presidents and four generations of the Adams family and also interact with visitors of all kinds, answering their questions and getting them excited about all that the Park and the City of Quincy has to offer.

The pay for this position is \$20.32 per hour and would last May through October.

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Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL.

• On April 16, 1942, the citizens of the Island of Malta were awarded the George Cross by King George VI in honor of their heroic struggle against nearly continuous bombing by German and Italian forces during the early part of World War II.

• On April 12, 1954, Bill Haley and the Comets recorded the rollicking "Rock Around the Clock." While the song was released in May, it didn't hit No. 1 on the pop charts until July 1955, after being used as the theme song for the movie "Blackboard Jungle."

• On April 14, 1956, Ampex Corp. demonstrated its first commercial videotape recorder, the VR-1000. CBS was one of the early TV companies to adopt the technology, which allowed a one-hour long program to be recorded on a single reel of tape.

• On April 10, 1971, a U.S. table tennis team began a week-long visit to the People's Republic of China at the invitation of China's communist government as part of an effort to build better relations between the two countries.

• On April 15, 1981, Washington Post reporter Janet Cooke relinquished the Pulitzer Prize she had received just two days earlier for her feature "Jimmy's World," published in the Post on Sept. 29, 1980, about an 8-year-old heroin addict, after admitting she made up the story.

• On April 13, 1999, Jack Kevorkian, aka "Dr. Death," was sentenced to 10 to 25 years in prison for the second degree murder of 52-year-old Thomas Youk, who was in the final stages of ALS. Youk's assisted suicide the previous year was videotaped and shown on the Nov. 23, 1998, broadcast of "60 Minutes." Kevorkian served eight years before being released on parole for good behavior.

• On April 11, 2006, the Amsterdam Historical Museum presented an exhibition of Anne Frank's private letters. One of them, which was disapproved of by her father, Otto Frank, talked about her friendship with the boy who shared her family's hiding place. Most of the letters were sent to Anne's relatives in Switzerland.

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The Garden Bug

Ladybugs are beneficial to crops and gardens because they eat aphids, which are small sap-sucking insects (such as the greenfly and the blackfly) which feed on plants and crops, often damaging them.

Although Asian beetles also eat pesky aphids, they also infest and eat fruit such as apples, grapes, and raspberries. They bite, and secrete a strong-smelling, staining liquid from their legs. - Brenda Weaver

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'bugs vs. beetles'

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Son Beams

By ROBERT BOSWORTH

Ruth Gordon And The Amphitheater

"I think it was the best day of my life."

That's how Ruth Gordon summed up her homecoming for the amphitheater dedicated in her honor Nov. 10, 1984 at Merrymount Park. It was a special day for a very special lady - a favorite daughter of Quincy.

Reading through The Quincy Sun archives you get the sense that day was more than just a milestone homecoming for Ruth. It was an extremely proud and historic day for the city where she was born and raised. She never forgot her Quincy roots.

Ruth was born Oct. 30, 1896 in Wollaston at 41 Winthrop Ave. and later resided on Marion Street and Elmwood Avenue.

She died Aug. 28, 1985 at her summer home in Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard following a stroke. She was 88.

In between she embodied an American dream and personified the pinnacle of her profession as an actress, screenwriter and playwright. Her road to stardom was not paved. She overcame setbacks - both professional and personal - and always persevered. Where one door closed resilient Ruth found another to open.

At age 72 in 1969 - after 54 years of acting - Ruth won an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress for "Rosemary's Baby."

Her acceptance speech showcased her trademark wit.

"I can't tell you how encouraging a thing like this is," she quipped, clutching the Oscar after receiving the golden statue from actor Tony Curtis. The crowd cheered and applauded.

Ruth would later win an Emmy and two Golden Globe awards for her acting and received three Academy Award nominations for her writing. Her career spanned 70 years appearing in dozens of movies, Broadway plays and popular television shows including Taxi, Rhoda and talk shows. She even hosted Saturday Night Live in 1977.

She was 17 when her father took to New York to enroll her in the American Academy of Dramatic Arts.

While a student at QHS, she wrote letters to some of her favorite actresses requesting photographs. One actress, Hazel Dawn, sent her a personal reply. It helped inspire her to go into acting.

Ruth's fame and celebrity brought her worldwide acclaim but Quincy always held a special place in her heart.

She regularly kept up with local happenings as a faithful Quincy Sun reader that sparked a strong friendship with my late father, Henry Bosworth, the founder and longtime publisher of this newspaper.

In Henry's Sunbeams column following Ruth's passing, he noted their friendship went back to 1968 when the Sun first started.

These are Henry's words:

I sent her one of the first copies. She wrote to thank me and we became friends, communicating by telephone or by letter from then on, and getting together now and then when she came home.

She continued to receive the Sun.

And, she really did read it, page by page, story by story. One time when she called she said: "I see your hockey team lost to the Burgin Platner team."

It was a story back in the sports section but she had seen it. She said she liked to see the photos of old Quincy in the Burgin-Platner 'Remember When' advertisements.

"They bring back fond memories," she said.

Her letters were always handwritten - never typed. The personal touch. They were somewhat scrawled though and each one contained a few words that were difficult to make out.

Sometimes it took almost the entire Sun stuff to decipher those words.

But the letters were precious. As were her phone calls from the vineyard and New York City.

In January 1982 after The Sun had published a column urging that the uncompleted Ruth Gordon Amphitheater be finished, she wrote:

"Love reading the note about the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater. Thank you so much for The Quincy Sun." (End of Henry's words.)

At the amphitheater's dedication in November 1984, Ruth was delighted at having the outdoor venue named after her.

"I am the first person in my family to have a theater named for her. It took a long time. I started toward this 88



QUINCY-BORN Academy Award-winning actress Ruth Gordon speaks at a Quincy Historical Society program hosted by Eastern Nazarene College in June, 1975. Ruth returned home many times to her beloved Quincy including one final time in November, 1984 for the dedication of the amphitheater named for her. She passed away the following August. She was 88.

Quincy Sun File Photo

years, 11 days and five and half hours ago. I never face facts. I never listen to good advice. I'm a slow starter, but I get there."

She was grateful to City Councillor Joseph LaRaia for seeing that the amphitheater which was started in 1977 when he was mayor and then virtually abandoned - was finally completed.

And to then Mayor Frank McCauley for proclaiming "Ruth Gordon Day."

The following month Ruth wrote Henry a letter telling how she felt that day:

"I think it was the best day of my life."

"It was the perfect day - a day on which Quincy seemed to be a dream world all of its own."

"I thought we all took off and went someplace else. We went somewhere where there was no trouble, or worry, or mean stuff. We all floated off where it all went right."

"I know the work that went into making it happen. Oh My!!"

Continuing his tribute to Ruth, Henry wrote:

It was a beautiful day and Ruth Gordon was beautiful that day as she completely captivated her hometown. Although her talent took her to stardom in New York City, Hollywood and overseas, her heart was always here.

She loved Quincy. She was Quincy's "Ambassador of Good Will" and a one-woman Quincy Chamber of Commerce. (End of Henry's words.)

Ruth also generated some excitement at the Sun office. If you were lucky enough to answer the phone when she called looking for Henry, well it was a moment you would never forget.

In August of 1985, Henry asked then Quincy Sun photographer Charlie Flagg to visit Ruth at her home on the Vineyard. Charlie also had a place on the island and Henry was hoping he could take some photos of Ruth and her husband, author-playwright Garson Kanin.

Ruth called Henry at the Sun office after Charlie had phoned her to set up a time to take those photos.

"A Charles Flagg called me today and said you wanted him to take a photo of Garson and me for the Sun. Is he your photographer?"

Henry told her he was and that he had a house near her's on the island. He told him next time he was down there to go over and say hello and ask to take photos.

"Okay," she told Henry. "Just wanted to be sure. I probably won't be able to do it today. I have a busy schedule, but tomorrow should be all right."

Henry thanked her and said: "I haven't seen or heard much about you lately. You been hiding?"

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Scenes From Yesterday



THIS IS A 1925 real photo postcard view of the Government Elementary School built by the U.S. Housing Corp. on the corner of Fifth Avenue and North Street in Quincy Point. It was opened in 1920 for the children of shipyard workers who lived in the housing built by the government throughout this neighborhood. Six years later it was bought by the City of Quincy and renamed the Pollard School in honor of the beloved Thomas W. Pollard who for many years had been the principal of the Washington and Daniel Webster Schools in the Point. About the same time, North Street was also renamed, as it became part of the new Southern Artery. This school

served Quincy Point youngsters for 62 years until the city closed it in 1982. Quincy Sun founder and longtime publisher Henry Bosworth attended the school and often reminisced about the wonderful teachers he had there. After the school closed, fires ravished it and then in 1984 it was demolished. Condominiums have since been built on the site. The copper cupola behind the tree in the center of the picture was salvaged from the fire ruins, refurbished and serves today as the centerpiece of the Granite State Marketplace on the Daniel Webster Highway in Hookset, N.H.

From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection

READERS FORUM

Keep The Ruth Gordon Amphitheater

Dear Editor,

I read in the March 9th edition of The Quincy Sun the statement from the Quincy Parks Department that they are planning to repurpose the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater in the Merrimount Park.

On the same page there is also an excellent Letter to the Editor to save the theater by Kathy Nason of Wollaston.

Nason's article sums it up by stating, "that it is money better spent to rehabilitate the Amphitheater than to destroy it."

Therefore, I am also compelled to respond to the Parks Department's and Mayors' proposal to fill in the amphitheater and repurpose it.

I have such fond memories of our Ruth Gordon Amphitheater. It was privileged to attend the ribbon cutting ceremonies at the amphitheater. In the same evening there was a black tie affair in the evening honoring Ruth at Lantana. The Quincy Arts Alliance and the Quincy High School art students made the centerpieces for the tables celebrating the occasion. It was truly a community event where people of Quincy felt being very much part of the celebration.

The Ruth Gordon Amphitheater became reality by then Mayor Joseph LaRaia.

He applied for the Federal Comprehensive Employment and Training Act, and received \$500,000 for creating the theater.

Our well known Quincy architect Owen Trainor designed the theater. He used the finest Quincy granite for the wall. This wall alone is fine work of art. It is as strong now as it was then.

Please visit and look it up and see for yourself what a special place this is, and the potential for its use is unlimited, now and in the future.

A little help with signage at the entrance to the Pageant Field, better lighting and ADA compliance, as suggested will make it safe, if the safety is a concern.

For several summers, the city hosted weekly concerts.

I remember running one of the cameras for later viewing by Quincy Access TV. These tapes are now in the archives held by the QATV.

Now, Mayor Koch suggests that there are other ways to honor Ruth Gordon. For example name the proposed Performing Arts Center after Ruth. I agree, it is a fine idea, but gives no reason to destroy the original venue.

The Ruth Gordon Amphitheater is built of famous granite by special skilled hands; these stones are placed just right, to create such a fine back drop for the stage. That granite wall alone is fine art and craftsmanship by itself.

Ruth Gordon Amphitheater is unique; it is hard

to find anything like this around here on the East Coast to my knowledge. One must go to ancient Greece or Italy where these theaters are still used for opera performances and concert.

There are many talented musicians and groups who are now performing on the library lawn. Wouldn't it be better to have them at quiet Merrimount Park. There would also be space for food trucks or ice cream as they seem to be in vogue.

We are lucky in Quincy to have such a venue as this. Let's keep it - have a fundraiser to make it safe, if that is an issue, and let us not destroy it.

Anneli Johnson
Quincy

Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
1951
72 Years Ago

Shipyard Workers Agree To Postpone Strike

The threatened strike of 50,000 CIO shipyard workers, including some 5,000 from the Fore River Shipyard, at one minute past midnight, has been postponed for 30 days.

The announcement of the postponement was made by John J. Crogan, president of the International Union of Marine and Ship Workers of America.

Crogan said: "The general executive board had voted to agree to the government's request to postpone a nationwide strike for 30 days."

While the general executive committee, which included Donald Edmonston, former president of Local 5, agreed to the postponement, the committee rejected Bethlehem Steel's offer to pay the 50,000 members a 10% wage increase.

COUNCILLOR AUSTIN CRITICIZES COLLEAGUES FOR SALARY VOTE

"The City Council permitted itself to be pressured into a hasty decision to give city employees a flat permanent raise for the fourth time in the last few years," Councillor Edna B. Austin declared.

Mrs. Austin was referring to the action of the Finance Committee last Friday night when, at City Hall, with a standing-room only throng of municipal employees, the councillors went on record unanimously in favor of a \$300 raise effective as of April 1. Mrs. Austin has tried to amend the motion to provide for a bonus instead of a permanent raise, and she was defeated by a vote of 4-to-2.

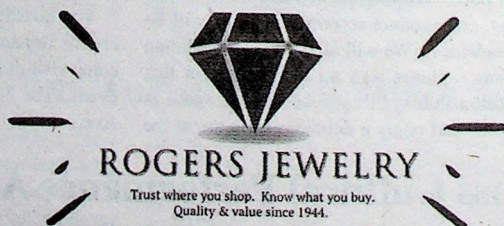
STATE SHOULD OK GAMBLING, LONG ASSETS

Massachusetts Tax Commissioner Henry F. Long said gambling should be legal and estimated that it would bring in not less than \$3 million a year.

This increased revenue for the state "should reduce the real estate tax a dollar or more on local taxes," Long said.

QUINCYISMS

The Quincy Market, 16 Chestnut St., Quincy Center, was advertising: "Specials for Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Chickens, Broilers & Fryers, 2 1/2-3 1/2 pounds, 43 cents a pound"... **Marine Private Anthony P. Angells**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Angells, 25 Winthrop Park, Quincy Point, had enlisted in the Marine Corps for three years... The Quincy Trust Company, with offices in Quincy Center, Wollaston and North Quincy, was urging customers to "Bank By Mail"... **Mrs. Frank McCausland**, retiring president of the Women's Republican Club of Quincy, was guest of honor at a luncheon given by the members of her executive board at the Meadows in Framingham... **Rev. Frank E. Greene** was installed as the new rector of the recently completed St. Chrysostom's Church in Wollaston. Rev. Greene was installed by **Right Rev. Norman B. Nash**, Episcopal Bishop of Massachusetts... "I'll Get By," featuring June Haver and William Lundigan and "Cariboo Trail," starring Randolph Scott, was playing at the Lincoln Theater, Washington St., Quincy Point... **Hemeon Piano Company**, 352 Newport Ave, was offering "Spinnet Pianos for \$295 and up"... **William D. McCarthy** of the Dale Carnegie public speaking courses, was the guest speaker at the regular weekly meeting of the Quincy Lions Club held at the Fox and Hounds Restaurant... Quincy Motor Company, 85 Quincy Ave, was suggesting that motorists "Get Their April Registration Sticker Here"... **Scott-Williams**, 9 Saville St., Quincy Center, was advertising "Timken Silent Automatic Oil Burners For Only \$299. Regular Price: \$333"... **P.F.C. Fred Haddad**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fay Haddad, 21 sixth Ave, Quincy Point, was home on leave from his base at Fort Sill, OK... **Miss Eileen Saunders**, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Saunders, 4 Avon Way, Quincy, was elected president of the Class of 1954 at Framingham State Teachers College... **Kiwanis Lt. Gov. Harry R. Belmont**, presented Quincy Kiwanis immediate past president **Harry E. Wilkens** with a Kiwanis presidential citation... Quincy's **Ray Cattaneo** has recovered from a hand injury and will be playing third base for Tommy Holmes, Hartford Baseball Club... The Houghs Neck Congregational Church basketball team lost to Wesley Methodist Church of Worcester by a score of 42-39. High scorers for HN Congregational Church included "**Buster**" **Robertson** (12 points), **Dick Walkama** (10 pts.) and **Scott MacKinlay** (11 pts.).



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Arts & Entertainment

Fun, Entertaining Programs At MPL In April

By JEAN HLADY
Milton Public Library

During the month of April, the Milton Public Library is offering some fun and educational programming for adults and families.

The first one is an all ages live animal program happening on Saturday, April 1, starting at 2 p.m. called "Animals in Spring." Naturalist Joy Marzolf will come in person to bring with her an array of her own animals, including reptiles and more. Spring is a time of change and some animals are emerging from hibernation while some have been active all winter. You will be able to touch and pat some of these special guests.

Each person needs to register individually in advance to attend as space is limited. This is a great program for seniors, parents and kids alike, and we hope you might join us. Go to www.miltonlibrary.org to sign up.

On Tuesday, April 4, at 7 p.m., Historian Bob Begin will give an in person talk called: "Gertrude Bell - Writer, Traveler, Archaeologist, Explorer." March was Women's History Month and although this talk is happening in April, we encourage you to come join us in person to celebrate all those amazing women out there.

Gertrude Bell was a very admirable female explorer and writer who accomplished so much in the Middle East, although she was expected just to stay home as a traditional wife and mother during that period. She lived from 1868 to 1926, and played a major role in establishing the modern state of Iraq, because of her good relationship with tribal leaders and her unique travel perspective, through extensive travels to Syria-Palestine, Mesopotamia, Asia Minor, and Arabia. There is no signup required for this program - just come in person and we hope to see you there.

Our virtual MA Library Collaborative's Online 50+ Job Seekers Group continues in April. On Wednesdays, April 5 at 9:30 a.m. and April 12 at 6 p.m., the online topic presented will be: "Create a LinkedIn Profile." Also on Wednesdays, April 19, at 9:30 a.m., and April 26 at 6 p.m., the group will discuss: "LinkedIn and Personal Branding." For details about how to register in advance to receive each event link, go to the individual date at www.miltonlibrary.org, and for questions, email jhlady@ocln.org. The facilitator for this excellent job research program is experienced executive coach Deborah Hope.

Then our ongoing program called the Library Knitting Group will meet in the lower level Conference Room on Thursday, April 6, at 7 p.m. and again on Saturday, April 15, at 10 a.m. Come join other crafty people and bring your knitting or crocheting project, to learn tips and tricks, and maybe even make some new friends. No advance signup is required so you can just drop in, but if you would like to start receiving email reminders, send a message to jhlady@ocln.org to make sure you get on the organizer's list.

And the ongoing MPL Walking Club will meet this month on Thursday April 13 and April 27 at 12 noon in the

parking lot. Join others for exercise and conversation, but please sign up in advance at our website to participate.

The "Milton Grows" initiative continues this month with two enjoyable events. The first is called: "Backyard Chickens 101" scheduled for Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m. This informative talk will teach you about how to start your own chicken coop, as you will learn the basics, adventures, town guidelines, joys and pitfalls of raising chickens in your yard. The speaker will be chicken owner Debbie Alsebai.

Then there will be a second MG outside program called "A Tour of Brookwood Community Farm" on Saturday, April 29 at 10 a.m. The farm is committed to serving local communities through an agriculture program, education, volunteer and employment opportunities. It works to ensure that all individuals have access to healthy, fresh, and affordable foods through the development of new markets in underserved communities and through relationships with local hunger relief organizations.

Advance registration is required at the Milton Public Library website to attend this tour. "Milton Grows" is a year-long MPL initiative for all ages focused on gardening and sustainability. It is funded by the Federal Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the MBLC, and supported by our partners Sustainable Milton and the Friends of the Milton Public Library.

There will be a creative art workshop for adults (ages 14 and up) held on Tuesday, April 11, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., called: "In Person Origami Workshop: Make 2 Colorful Kusudama Flowers" with Pop-Up Art School. No experience is required and all materials will be provided without charge. Origami Kusudama flowers are made of five individual folded units that are glued together and during the class, you'll make 1 to 2 completed flowers and learn to embellish them. We hope you will join us. Advance registration is required at the Milton Public Library website to attend, and space is limited.

There will be a Spring bird talk on Tuesday, April 18, at 7 p.m. called: "The Magic of Migration...and the Hazards of the Journey" with expert Ray Brown of the "Talkin' Birds" radio show. "Talkin' Birds" is a live and interactive radio show about wild birds and the beauty of nature - attracting birds to your backyard, feeding them, and learning more about them. They feature expert guests, news stories and updates from the world of birds and conservation, and have contests for prizes like bird feeders and more. They have broadcast more than 850 shows over the course of the last 15 years.

Ray Brown is a broadcast veteran with more than 30 years of experience in commercial and public radio and television, and after working in Rhode Island and on Cape Cod, he's been broadcasting on Boston's classical station, WCRB 99.5 FM for 15 years. Beginning in February of 2015, he began appearing as a regular guest on NPR's Weekend Edition Saturday with Scott Simon. The topic: birds. This informative presentation will include some wonderful photos and no registration is required to attend. Just please come in person and join us, as this program is appropriate for all ages.

Next, we encourage you to bring your appetite for good cookin' to the Keys Community Room on Tuesday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m., to meet Chef Dave of Therapy Gardens who will teach us how to make: "Hearty Chili and Stews." Nothing says comfort food like homemade chili and beef stew. Come learn how to make a variety of chilis and stews from ground beef, pork, venison, chicken and more. Recipes, small samples, and product recommendations will be provided for our audience. We will also review vegetarian and meatless options. Please sign up in advance for this program at the Milton Public Library website, as space is limited. Please come and enjoy a delicious program at the



A CONCERT featuring Jim Porcella and his daughter Renee Legendre will take place at the Milton Public Library Saturday, April 29 at 2 p.m.
Courtesy Photo

MPL, and we wish you - in advance - Bon Appetit.

And finally, there will be the third concert in Jean's Spring music series which is scheduled for Saturday, April 29, starting at 2 p.m. The performers for this event are a duo called "Just the Two of Us" which includes Jim Porcella, "Boston's Own Jazz Vocalist," who will be singing with his daughter, Renee Legendre.

Mr. Porcella grew up in Medford started playing the drums at age 14, and attended the Berklee College of Music. He began a jazz career when he started performing around New England, and has recorded seven critically acclaimed CDs since then. He has sung in jazz and cabaret settings in the Northeast, London, San Francisco, The Virgin Islands, and Vancouver. Jim has been the featured vocalist at Boston's Ritz Carlton, the prestigious Bay Tower Room, with the Artie Shaw Orchestra, and also is the leader of the swing band "Bombay Jim and the Swinging Sapphires."

The concert will showcase songs originally recorded by Louis Primo, Rosemary Clooney, Frank Sinatra, Natalie Cole, and Michael Buble, among others. For more information about this duo, go to www.miltonlibrary.com. No registration is required to attend this concert - just come and bring your family for some great music happening at the end of April.

All of these programs are kindly sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and are free and open to everyone. Most are held in the lower level Keys Community Room, unless otherwise specified here.

For questions, email jhlady@ocln.org or call the Reference Department at (617) 898-4964. We hope you will come visit the Milton Public Library this month to enjoy an event. The Milton Public Library is located at 476 Canton Ave.

BASEBALL, BIKES AND BEERS with TEAM BBS Pan Mass Challenge Cycling Team!

Come join and support Pan-Mass Challenge TEAM BBS for a FUN night at BREAK ROCK BREWING Co., with LIVE music by the band Cousindheit, food by Raina's Plate food truck, raffles and a silent auction!

TEAM BBS riders raise funds for Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Nothing better than good company and a cold beer from the local brewery on RED SOX SEASON OPENER at FENWAY!!!

Come on down to the Break Rock Brewing Co., 534 Victory Rd., Marina Bay on Thursday, March 30th, from 6-9 p.m.
Suggested Entry Fee: Donation
Raffle and Silent Auction: Cash preferred

Limited Edition PMC Baseball shirts for the Red Sox Opening day for sale at the event!

Local Riders:

Chrissy Shah, Year 5	Mike Sligar Year 5
Bob Biagini Year 5	Phil Gay Year 4 and
Jeff Alers Year 7	Robin Franceschini
Jim Swiatkowski Year 1	Year 17.

Cross Cultural Performance At Kennedy Center

Guangzhou Association of Boston Cross Cultural Performance will take place at the Kennedy Center on Friday, March 31st at 1 p.m.

Experience a one-of-a-kind, cross cultural performance. The singing and dancing troupe from the Guangzhou Association of

Boston will perform traditional Chinese and Western songs, Tai Chi sword demonstrations, Sway Mambo Line Dance, Qi Pao dance

and more

Call the Quincy Council on Aging at 617-376-1506 to register.

Eleven Quincy Students On Simmons University Dean's List

Eleven students from Quincy have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Simmons Uni-

versity in Boston.

They are:

Meira Baliton, Ashley

Kwan, Ella Piroli, Winnie Zhou, Anastasia Zygouras, Nejwa Hamad, Sarina Lau,

Annie Yang, Elena Stratoberdha, Elaine Wong and Tanya Zeng.

April Quincy Council On Aging Events, Activities

By **MARIE FERENT**
Assistant Director
Quincy Elder Services

The Quincy Council on Aging announces the following events are scheduled during the month of April.

The COA is located at the Kennedy Center, 440 East Squantum St., North Quincy.

Spring Fashion Show

Monday, April 3rd at 1:30 P.M.

Join us for a free fashion show and demonstration with fashion expert Caryn Smith, owner of Caryn's Corner, a popular boutique of beautiful, trendy and comfortable clothing and stylish accessories. Clothing modeled on the runway will surely delight our guests. After the models strut their stuff on the runway, Caryn will demonstrate fashion trends and fashion "how-tos." Registration required. Call 617-376-1506. Light refreshments.

Stress First Aid

Monday, April 3rd at 10 A.M.

Learn how Stress First Aid (SFA) can help you to manage your stress and support others experiencing stress in a new way. Attend this 1.5 hour training and learn how to improve recovery from stress reactions, both in self and those in your lives. The goal of SFA is to identify stress reactions to help reduce the likelihood that stress outcomes develop into more severe or long term problem. This training is offered by Tufts Medical Center's Debbie Lyn Toomey, MSN, RN, Injury Prevention Professional. Space is limited and registration is required. Call 617-376-1506 to register.

Computer Classes Grace Buscher

Individual Appointments

Wednesday by appointment from 1-3:30 p.m.

Thursday by appointment 9-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 5th - Individual Appointments

Thursday, April 6th - Individual Appointments

Wednesday, April 12th - Individual Appointments

Thursday, April 13th - Individual Appointments

Wednesday, April 19th - Individual Appointments

NO CLASSES Thursday, April 20th, April 26th and April 27th

Please call 617-376-1506 to make an appointment.

Chromebook Refresher Classes

Tuesday, April 11th and Tuesday, April 18th at 1 P.M.

This is a class offered by Grace Buscher as a refresher class for anyone who has previously taken the Chromebook program and may still have questions or need more guidance. Space is limited and registration is required.

Stronger Than You Think! Use your Character Strengths to Boost Your Happiness

April 5th, April 19th, and April 26th at 10 A.M.

Learn about character strengths and how you can purposefully apply them to help you cope with stress, relate to others, and become a better version of you. All participants are encouraged to go online and take the character strengths assessment at <https://www.viacharacter.org/character-strengths-via>, please print out your results and bring it to class. Class offered by Tuft's Medical Center Debbie Lyn Toomey, MSN, RN. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Strategize Your Exercise 10 weeks

beginning Wednesday, April 5th at 9 A.M.

Come try something new...Commit to a 10-week program with Maggie and Joanne. Either add this to your current workout or start a new routine to help you maintain good health. Surprise your muscles, improve your balance and stamina with a combination of exercises that will work for you. Bring a mat and try floor work. Bring resistance bands and understand this optional way of strengthening and lengthening your muscles. Learn to isolate muscle groups. Every "body" has different needs. Let's find your ideal workout routine and make a plan. Class is limited to 30 participants. \$5 per person per class.

Quarry Museum, Lyons Turning Mill Open April 1-2

The Quincy Quarry and Granite Workers Museum and the Lyons Turning Mill will open on Saturday, April 1st and Sunday, April 2nd from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Also a self-guided walking tour of the Lyons Turning Mill grounds to view artifacts around the mill with interpretive information at each location will be available.

The museum has acquired new artifacts of the granite industry from the

collection of the late Dave Hodgdon that are on display at the mill. Historic pictures of Quincy's granite industry with interpretive information on each picture will be displayed. Visitors can view the locations of where the machinery was located by the foundations and study locations. The Museum will also be open for a self-guided tour to view pictures and artifacts from Quincy's granite industry. Museum members will be on hand to

answer questions and Quarry Museum T-shirts will be on sale to help support the museum.

Directions: Curry Hardware, at the intersection of Copeland and Willard Streets, West Quincy. Proceed under expressway, stay to right to stop sign, the U.P.S. building will be

on the other side of ramp. Proceed with caution across ramp onto Ricciuti Drive to end and right on to Quarry Hills Drive. Turning Mill will be 100 yards on left.

Visit the website www.quincyquarrymuseum.org

For more information call 617-472-1322.

Book Club

Thursday, April 6th at 1:30 P.M.

The book club meets the first Thursday of every month at 1:30 p.m. The book for April will be "The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post" by Allison Pataki. The book for the May 4th meeting will be "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig.

Outsmart the Scammers

Thursday, April 6th at 10:30 A.M.

Incidents of fraud are on the rise, and scammers' tactics are becoming more complex. While no one is immune, you can take steps to Outsmart the Scammers. Join us to learn about red flags that may indicate a fraudulent encounter, resources you can turn to if you or a loved one is targeted, and ways to help protect yourself and your loved ones. Presented by Marie O'Riordan Kelly from Edward Jones. Space is limited. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Cultural and Historical Reflection of the 1960s

Through the Music of the Beatles

Friday, April 7th at 1 P.M.

This performance combines live music with a multimedia presentation to explore, not only the music of The Beatles, but the influence they exerted in every area of the cultural landscape. This presentation features live acoustic music and audience sing alongs, coupled with rare audio and video clips. The presenter is Fran Hart, founding member of the Beatles Tribute Band 4EverFab. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to reserve your spot.

Nails to You Manicures

Friday, April 7th and Friday, April 21st

Join us for a manicure event at the Kennedy Center. Manicures will be \$15 payable to Nails to You on the day of the event. Nails to You will now be at the Kennedy Center twice a month for manicure appointments. LeeAnn will now be offering Dazzle Dry which is a healthy alternative to gel. It is long lasting, vegan, healthy and completely dry in 5 minutes. Dazzle Dry Manicures will be \$20 and regular Manicures will remain at \$15. Please call 617-376-1506 to schedule your appointment.

Shredding

Friday, April 7th from 10 A.M. - 12 Noon

Seniors are invited to safely dispose of sensitive and personal documents to protect themselves from identity theft and fraud. Visit the Kennedy Center on Friday, April 7th and have tax, financial, legal and other documents shredded free of charge. Please call the Kennedy Center at 617-376-1506 to register.

Bingo

Monday, April 10th at 1 P.M.

Join the Friends of the Kennedy Center for an afternoon of Bingo! Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

QHD World Parkinson's Day Tuesday, April 11th

Come and learn about Parkinson's Disease with information from the Quincy Health Department. There will be a table in the front lobby with literature and important information.

Acrylics

Tuesday, April 11th at 1 P.M.

Join acrylics teacher Karen Kelley for an acrylics class. No painting experience required. Cost is \$18 and includes all supplies. Payment is due at time of registration.

Therapy Gardens

Wednesday, April 12th at 10:30 A.M.

Everything you've ever wanted to know about marijuana but were afraid to ask. All in one workshop! Not only is marijuana legal, it has medicinal properties that may help you. Come learn about the types of marijuana, their uses, and what is legal and what's not. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Social

Men's Discussion

Thursday, April 13th at 10 A.M.

Men's discussion group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. The speaker for the April meeting will be Anthony Sammarco, historian and author.

Bracelet or Necklace Class

Friday, April 14th at 10:30 A.M.

Come join Ruth and Elizabeth for a jewelry making class! Cost is \$5 for a bracelet or \$10 for a necklace and all materials will be provided. Registration is required and payment is due at time of registration.

Introductory Spin Class Active Aging Adult Spin

Friday, April 14th at 12 noon at the Hale Family YMCA

Looking to improve health, stay active, and have fun? Join us for an Introductory Active Aging Spin Class! This whole body workout improves health and boosts your mood! Perfect for beginners to spin! The energetic instructor will guide participants through the steps of setting up their bikes, picking the right speed, and how to pace yourself through the class. The class is 45 minutes, with 30 minutes of riding with escalating resistance on the bike customized to the rider. The spin class is a party more than a workout, with music playing as you pedal to the beat! Call 617-376-1506 to register, space is limited.

Senior Living Options

Tuesday, April 18th at 10:30 A.M.

Please join us as we discuss senior living options and how to choose the best level of care for you as you age. Topics will include: differences between independent, assisted and long term care, payer sources accepted and services available at each level, how to determine which is best for you or a loved one. Presented by Deb Deery LPN, ICP Quincy Health Department. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Monthly Bereavement Support Group

Thursday, April 20th at 1 P.M.

All are welcome. This is a monthly group which provides a space of sharing and support for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Sponsored by Hamel-Lydon Chapel Cremation Service of Massachusetts. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Stop the Bleed

Monday, April 24th at 10 A.M.

Stop the Bleed is a grassroots national awareness campaign and call to action. Stop the Bleed encourages bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives. Attend this 1.5 hour training and come away feeling better prepared in an emergency situation. This training is offered by Tufts Medical Center's Debbie Lyn Toomey, MSN, RN. Please choose one session. Space is limited and registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to register.

Tom Rull Performance

Wednesday, April 26th at 12:30 P.M.

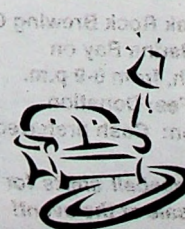
Tom Rull singer/entertainer will perform his show "A Musical Journey Through the Years." Take a walk down memory lane. Enjoy the music of Sinatra, Neil Diamond, Kenny Rogers, Paul Anka, Barry Manilow, Elvis, Perry Como, Lou Rawls, Englebert...and many more! This program is supported in part by a grant from the Quincy Arts Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency. Registration is required. Please call 617-376-1506 to reserve your spot.

Sign ups begin April 1st for the following trips:

Elvis Trip Thursday, May 18th - \$111 per person. Enjoy a "Viva Las Vegas" day trip in New England at Wright's Farm Restaurant in Rhode Island. Your fun-filled day will

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Marie & Suzie: Easter Recipes

Roast Stuffed Lamb – For Easter Dinner (And Sometimes Baked Ham)

Every family has their favorites for holiday dinners and my family has so many favorites that it is sometimes difficult to decide what to cook. A very popular Easter Dinner in our family is Roast Stuffed Lamb.

Another of our Easter favorites is baked ham, which is always relatively simple. When I bake ham, I prepare a large roasting pan according to the directions on the package. I add pineapple slices and fresh cloves to the top of the ham. I roast the ham according to the directions depending on the size of the ham or whether the ham is spiral one or bone-in. You can make your own ham glaze, however, oftentimes a ham will come with their own glaze you can add to the top. I hope that you, your family and guests enjoy these Easter recipe ideas as much as we do.

Lamb Stuffing – Ingredients and Directions

- 2 stalks celery, cut up
- 1 small onion, cut up
- 2 cups favorite stuffing mix
- 1 cup seasoned bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons Bell's seasoning
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons oil
- ¼ cup grated Romano cheese
- ¼ cup white wine (optional)
- ½ pound ground pork (you can also use lamb or beef)

In hot oil, sauté the celery and onion.

Add the ground meat (lamb, pork or beef whichever you are using). Cook and stir until well blended.

Add the stuffing mix that you have soaked in water.

Stir for a couple of minutes and then add the seasoned bread crumbs, Bell's seasoning, egg and cheese and mix well.

If the mixture looks thin, add more seasoned bread crumbs. If the mixture looks thick, add a little water.

Remove from heat and refrigerate until it is time to use.

Slice the lamb to create a pocket and then stuff the lamb with the stuffing.

Secure by tying with a string and then bake as usual, 20 minutes to the pound.

Bristolone

Today's recipe is one that I usually make at Easter and it is called Easter bread and I usually use anise flavoring for this recipe. Because this recipe is so simple and delicious you can make and enjoy it anytime.

In addition to using anise flavoring, I have also used lemon, almond or vanilla. Today's recipe was made with lemon flavoring – and when it was baking the aroma filled the house!

This dough is very simple and comes out so wonderfully that not one drop of it is left on the floured board when you get through. You will find this is a very easy dough to make and work with and I think it is one of the best recipes for dough that I have ever tried.

You can also use this recipe to make Biscotti cookies. If you are making biscotti cookies, roll the dough into log shapes. Place the dough log on a prepared cookie sheet. Bake in a 350-degree oven for about 35 minutes or until lightly tan on top. After baking and slightly cooled, slice them into 1/2-inch slices, put back in the oven for about 10 minutes or until lightly browned. This will make them nice and crispy!

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper

Recipe

- ¾ cup butter, softened
- 1 cup of sugar
- 2 eggs
- ¼ teaspoon of salt
- 3 cups of flour
- 3 teaspoon baking powder
- ¾ cup milk
- 3 tablespoons of lemon extract

Cream the butter and sugar and salt.

Add the eggs one at a time and beat between each addition.

Add the flavoring and alternate the flour and baking powder with milk and mix.

Place dough on a floured board. I made 3 round breads out of it, all the same size. But you can make 1 large bread or 2 medium breads.

I placed two round breads on one cookie sheet and one on another cookie sheet because they rise quite well.

Bake for 35 to 40 minutes or until lightly tan on top. Frost with icing (recipe below) when they are cool.

Icing

Place 2 cups of powdered sugar in a small bowl and add 1 or 2 teaspoons of flavoring.

Then add about 5 or 6 tablespoons of water or milk. (your choice). Stir until smooth and brushable.

Brush the top of the bread with icing. While the icing is still moist you can sprinkle with jimmies or cake sprinkles – or anything you want on the top.

Rita's Strawberry Cream Cake

When our family gathers together, we each try to bring something to the table. And so, in keeping with our family tradition recently, my daughter, Rita, brought dessert which was a very delicious Strawberry Cream Cake.

When it was time for dessert, Rita brought out the cake, already baked of course, and all of the other ingredients to make this spectacular looking and tasty cake.

We all stood around and watched her fix this beautiful dessert. First off, she cut the cake in three layers and set them aside. Then Rita made the cream filling. To watch her assemble the cake was the highlight of the dinner!

White Cake Recipe

- ½ cup of butter
- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 2 and ½ teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 and ¼ cups of sugar
- ¾ cup of milk
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla
- 3 egg whites

Directions for Strawberry Cream Cake

In a bowl combine butter, flour, baking powder and one cup of the sugar, the milk and the vanilla.

Beat for 2 minutes at medium speed.

Now in a different bowl beat egg whites to a froth.

Gradually beat in the rest of the sugar (1/4 cup) and continue beating until stiff.

Add to the butter mixture and beat for one more minute pour into a greased and floured 9-inch round pan.

Bake in a preheated 375-degree oven for 25 to 30 minutes and let it stand in the pan for 5 minutes.

Then unmold it and cool on a rack.

Cream Filling Recipe:

- 1 pint of heavy cream
- 6 ounces of cream cheese
- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon of vanilla
- 1 large package of fresh strawberries, cut in half and set aside

In a bowl mix cream cheese and sugar.

Add the heavy cream, salt and vanilla; beat until smooth. Fill each layer starting with the bottom layer.

Spoon on the cream mixture, smooth and top with strawberries. Repeat this step for the second layer and then put the top on the cake.

Once the cake and cream layers are all together, put cream on the top and place the strawberry halves all around the top, with 3 or 4 strawberries decoratively in the center.

This is a beautiful looking and very tasty cake guaranteed to be a crowd pleaser!

Ellie's White Cake with Lemon Curd

My granddaughter, Ellie, loves to bake, and recently made a white cake and served it with lemon curd. While preparing the cake she didn't know what to do with the left-over egg yolk so she decided to make lemon curd, which was a most delicious combination to go along with the cake and frosting!

WHAT'S COOKING

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By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO



The smile on her face when she watched me taste her delicious culinary invention was priceless.

Recipe for white cake

- 2 cups of sugar
- 3 cups of all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 teaspoon of salt
- ¼ canola oil
- 3 large egg whites
- 2 teaspoons of vanilla
- 1 and ½ cups of whole milk

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease two 8-inch round pans, line bottom with parchment paper for easy removal.

Mix all the dry ingredients in a large bowl and whisk the wet ingredients in a smaller bowl.

Put two together and mix until well combined and divide batter evenly into 2 pans and bake 30 minutes until toothpick comes out clean.

Cream Cheese Frosting

- 1 stick of butter
- 8 ounces of cream cheese
- 3 or 4 cups of powdered sugar
- 2 teaspoons of vanilla

Mix the cream cheese and butter slowly and add powdered sugar until smooth.

Lemon Curd (optional)

To make this lemon curd Ellie used the egg yolks, plus 1 left over from making the cake batter.

- 5 tablespoons of butter
- ¼ cup of honey
- 4 large egg yolks
- 1/8 tsp salt
- ½ cup fresh squeezed lemon juice and lemon zest is optional.

Cream butter in a mixer, add honey and beat until fluffy. Add egg yolks one at a time beating well.

Add salt and reduce speed to low and slowly add the lemon juice.

Mix until combined.

In a saucepan fill 1/3 of the way with water and boil.

Place the mixing bowl on a pan (or double boiler) and mix until mixture is thick for about 15 minutes.

Cool, refrigerate and enjoy.

Lamb Tart

There are so many different ways of using lamb (if you have any left over). My daughter, Rita, made a delicious lamb tart out of her left overs and when she brought me a slice to try and I decided to share this easy and tasty treat with all of you.

Also, with this recipe you can use ham, chicken or any favorite.

Preheat oven to 425 degrees

Recipe:

- 1 9" pie crust (I bought mine)
- 6 ounces of fresh mushrooms, chopped
- 1 small onion chopped
- 1 to 2 cups of leftover lamb (whatever you have on hand)
- ½ cup of cream
- 2 tablespoons of olive oil
- 1 egg beaten - for egg-wash topping

In the hot oil sauté onion, add the chopped mushrooms, then sauté for a few minutes until onion is translucent.

Add the lamb mix well.

Then add the cream and mix until well blended.

On a cookie sheet lay out the crust in a round circle.

In the center of the crust, place the lamb mixture.

Fold all around the edge making a tart, the center will not be covered.

Brush the crust with egg wash.

Bake at 425 degrees for 10 minutes and then reduce oven heat to 350 degrees and bake tart until lightly browned.

Tarts can be served topped with arugula.

Happy Easter to All!!

Social Security Matters

Ask Rusty - Widow Stung By Social Security's 'Claw Back' Rule

By RUSSELL GLOOR

National Social Security Advisor
at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm
of the Association of Mature American Citizens

Dear Rusty: My husband of 48 years died on Dec. 30th, and he received a Social Security direct deposit for December's benefits in early January, but Social Security demanded the bank return his December payment. I used part of his December benefits to pay for household expenses, so his bank account was overdrawn after his bank paid back his Social Security for the December benefit. My questions are:

1. Is it legal for Social Security to demand a return of his benefits because he died one day prior to 1/1/2023? That just seems so wrong to me!

2. Am I legally responsible for the overdrawn amount his bank repaid to Social Security? I was not notified by Social Security or his bank before "the deed was done."

3. Aren't there Social Security spousal benefits available for the surviving spouse, and how do I apply for them? (Form #, please)

My husband medically retired early, and his Social Security benefits were always lower than mine, but I fear that my benefits may be affected by his death. Is that true? **Signed: Grieving Widow, Feeling Wronged**

Dear Grieving Widow: Please accept our sincere condolences on your husband's passing. Unfortunately, I don't have good news for you about his December benefit payment. Social Security pays benefits in the month following the month they are earned, and the recipient must live the entire month to be eligible for that month's benefit. Even though your husband lived until almost the end of the month, Social Security's rule says that he must live the entire month to be eligible for December benefits; thus, they took back (often referred to as "Clawed Back") the December benefits paid in January.

So, is all of this legal? Yes, I'm afraid it is. From what you've shared Social Security took back the money they are legally entitled to, so you have no further obligation to Social Security. The bank had no choice but to return your husband's December Social Security payment - they were legally obligated to do so. Thus, your obligation to resolve your husband's overdrawn bank account resulting from the bank fulfilling its legal obligation to Social Security still remains.

As for any spousal or survivor benefits you might be entitled to - you say your husband's Social Security payment was less than yours, which means you weren't getting a spousal benefit and cannot get a surviving spouse benefit as a widow (you can only get your benefit or his, whichever is higher). You will, however, be eligible for a one-time lump sum death benefit of \$255. I know it's not much, but you're entitled to it and should claim it. And, from what you've described - that your monthly Social Security amount is more than your husband's - your own benefit will not be negatively affected by any of this.

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To submit a question, visit amacfoundation.org/programs/social-security-advisory or email ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org.

April Council On Aging Events, Activities

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include a family style, home cooked chicken meal with all the fixings and more at Wright's Farm Restaurant. Then, get ready to dance in your "Blue Suede Shoes." Mark Shelton is considered one of the most dynamic performers with astounding vocal prowess that leaves audiences mesmerized in amazement. Bus departs from Pageant Field at 10:15 a.m. and returns to Pageant Field at approximately 4:30 p.m. Trip includes: transportation, family style chicken luncheon, live entertainment, drivers gratuity, dining room taxes and gratuities. Must be a Kennedy Center member. Checks only made payable to Royal Tours.

Spirit Of Boston Luncheon Cruise Wednesday, June 7th - \$122 per person. For a great way to see the city of Boston and the harbor, join us on the Spirit of Boston Cruise. Enjoy a two-hour cruise taking in the best views of the Boston skyline and waterfront landmarks including Zakim Bunker Hill Memorial Bridge, Boston's Seaport district and the USS Constitution warship to name a few. A delicious buffet luncheon will be freshly prepared with a large variety of items to choose from. A DJ will be on board for your dancing and listening enjoyment too. Head topside to the open air lounge and enjoy the view from there. For a memorable day trip, join us! Includes: Transportation, boat ride, buffet luncheon, dining room taxes and gratuities, driver's gratuity.

Depart from Pageant Field at 10:30 a.m. and return at approximately 3 p.m. Payment is due upon registration. Checks made payable to Royal Tours, LLC. Must fill out travel waiver. Must be a Kennedy Center Member.

Thimble Islands Friday, June 16th - \$101 per person. Travel to Connecticut's shoreline and visit Branford, founded in 1644. During Colonial times, it was primarily an agricultural community that depended on shipbuilding and sea commerce. Today, it's beautiful natural resources, including parks, beaches and marinas, make it a popular summer resort. As we travel to Stony Creek Dock, we will drive through town and view beautiful old churches and buildings of historical and architectural interest. Upon arrival we will board the Sea Mist, a 44-foot vessel designed for comfortable cruising through shallow waters. We will relax and en-

joy a 45 minute narrated cruise around the Thimble Islands. Before our cruise, we will dine at the Chowder Pot III in Branford, one of Connecticut's premier seafood restaurants. Entrée choices are baked stuffed shrimp, chicken picatta or eggplant parmesan. Price is \$101 per person including taxes and gratuities. Checks only made payable to Landmark Tours.

Depart from Pageant Field at 10 a.m. Return at approximately 6:45 p.m. Must be Kennedy Center member.

Adirondack Balloon Festival Sept. 22-24 - \$1,212 per person single, \$862 per person double, \$761 per person triple. Depart from Massachusetts to the glorious Adirondacks to see one of the country's largest Balloon Festivals. Our first stop will be the resort town of racing and elegance - Saratoga Springs. We arrive downtown on Broadway to enjoy some free time for shopping and lunch on your own. Afterwards, meet our step on guide for a tour of the town. We will next check into our hotel - the elegant Queensbury Hotel. In the late afternoon we will head to the festival to see the launching of over 50 balloons including special shapes. We will return to the hotel for dinner in the Grand Ballroom.

On Day 2, we are up early to head back to the festival to see the early morning launch of over 75 balloons. We then depart for nearby Lake George for a boat cruise, then return to town for an enjoyable lunch on the water's edge. We return to the hotel to freshen up, then back to the Festival to see the launching of over 50 balloons. Take more free time to enjoy the many vendors in the park and attractions followed by the MoonGlow ascension of the balloons.

On Day 3, (another early rising day) the bus will take you for the 6:30 a.m. Walter's Mass "Ascension of the Balloons" with over 75 balloons and shapes. You can then return to the hotel for a full breakfast, or if you choose to sleep in - rise and enjoy the hotel and breakfast at your leisure. Tour includes: roundtrip transportation, tour of Saratoga Springs, 2 nights lodging at Queensbury Hotel, 4 meals: 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 dinner, Lake George Cruise, 5 different balloon launchings, baggage handling (1 bag per person), all taxes and gratuities. Must be a Kennedy Center member.

Payment in full due at registration. Checks only made payable to Landmark Tours.

Quincy Pride To Award Four \$500 Scholarships; Applications Due May 12

Quincy Pride will award four graduating seniors - two from each high school - that exemplify its values with \$500 scholarships toward their higher education and/or future endeavors.

"Students who identify as LGBTQIA+ or are allies, or who work towards making Quincy and the

South Shore a more inclusive community are encouraged to apply," said attorney Richard Ash, president of Quincy Pride. Last year was the group's first year giving out scholarships.

Email 500-word statements demonstrating why you think you are the best candidate deserving of one

of Quincy Pride's high school scholarships. Statements are to include LG-BTQIA+ efforts performed toward promoting equality through activism in the community. Students should also highlight any efforts planned to further contribute to this type of work within their respective higher edu-

cation paths.

Applications are to be emailed to scholarships@quincypride.com by May 12.

Students must have a B average and should be available on June 4, to be acknowledged during Quincy Pride Day 2023.

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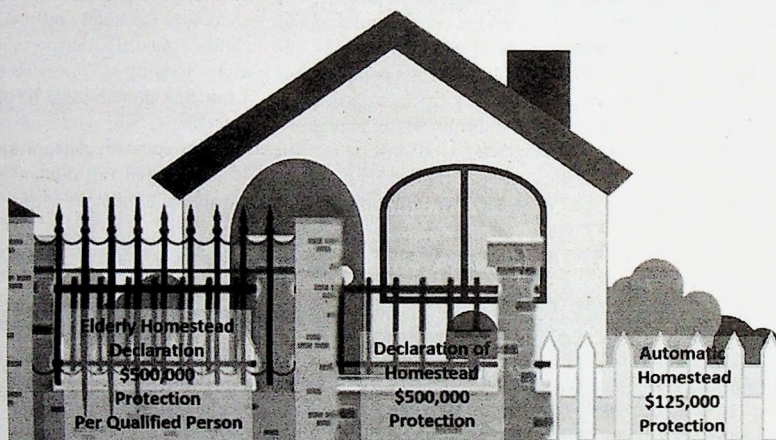
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US Bank National Association	Lan Truong	\$565,000.00	386 Fenno Street
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Viksit Kumar & Sophiya Das	Ngoc T. Nhuyen & Thuy Dung Vo	\$410,000.00	200 Falls Boulevard Unit C306
Donna F. Hutchings	Ryan & Rachel Stadelmann	\$770,000.00	905 East Squantum Street
Wesley W., Brain P. & Susan E. Clark,			
Janice A. Foley Rep of Linda M. Louis-Juene &	Dennis N. & Sandy Wong	\$525,000.00	32 Hyde Street
Mark L. Hodges as rep of Karen J. Hodges			
John V. Cummings Family Irrevocable Trust	Zeng Realty Trust	\$1,060,000.00	14 Edinboro Road
& Betty A. Cummings Irrevocable Trust	Evan Feldman	\$670,000.00	19 Avalon Avenue
Mary A. Conry	Margaret A. Tobin	\$800,000.00	29 Sealund Road
Seghezzi 2017 Irrevocable Trust	Kevin Kane LLC	\$425,000.00	49 Copley Street
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Kelly Family Irrevocable Trust	Grace Marden	\$580,000.00	35 Grace Road
Barbara J. Newman			

Register Of Deeds O'Donnell Promotes Massachusetts Homestead Act

Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell is reminding Norfolk County homeowners about the importance of filing for Homestead Protection.

"If you own a home, and it is your primary residence, you have an automatic homestead exemption of \$125,000," O'Donnell said. "However, if you file a Declaration of Homestead at the Registry of Deeds, the exemption increases to \$500,000. The Homestead Law provides a homeowner with limited protection against the forced sale of their primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000 if they have filed. This is especially important when you consider that for most of us, a home is our most valuable asset. Consumers should take steps to protect that asset."

Another feature of the Homestead Law is the allowance for the filing of an Elderly Homestead Declaration, which defines an elder



as a person who is 62 years of age or older and provides protection of \$500,000 for each qualified person.

"In March of 2011, the Homestead Law was updated so that a valid Homestead is not terminated when refinancing a mortgage," O'Donnell note. "Other changes that took place back in 2011 state that a Homestead can provide protections for a primary home even if it is held in a trust. The definition of a primary residence was also expanded to include a manufactured or mobile home."

A Declaration of Homestead also protects the sale proceeds if the home is sold for up to one year af-

ter the date of the sale or on the date when a new home is purchased with the proceeds, whichever comes first. Additionally, if the home is damaged by a fire, for example, the insurance proceeds are protected for two years after the date of the fire or on the date when the home is reconstructed or a new home is purchased, whichever is earlier.

While the Homestead Statute provides important protections for homeowners, it is important to note that certain debts are exempt from protection under the Homestead Act. These include federal, state, and local tax liens, as well as mortgages contracted for

the purchase of a primary home and nursing home liens. Most other mortgages, debts, and encumbrances existing prior to the filing of the Declaration of Homestead, along with probate court executions for spousal and child support, are

also not covered under the Homestead Protection Statute.

Declarations of Homestead are recorded at the Registry of Deeds for a state-imposed fee of \$36. Additional information about the Homestead Law and the forms are available at no cost by going to the Registry's website at www.norfolkdeeds.org.

"I want to reiterate that a Homestead provides limited protection against the forced sale of a homeowner's primary residence to satisfy unsecured debt up to \$500,000. While the debt is still owed, homeowners can have peace of mind knowing that with a Declaration of Homestead recorded at the Registry of Deeds, their primary residence cannot be forcibly sold to satisfy most debts," O'Donnell said.

If you have any questions about a Homestead, contact the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds Customer Service Center at 781-461-6101, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds is located at 649 High St. in Dedham. The Registry is a resource for homeowners, title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities and others with a need for secure, accurate, accessible land record information.

All land record research information can be found on the Registry's website www.norfolkdeeds.org.

Residents in need of assistance can call the Registry of Deeds Customer Service Center at (781) 461-6101, or email registerodonnell@norfolkdeeds.org.



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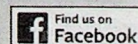
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7:00pm: AM Quincy: State Rep. Tackey Chan

Saturday, April 1
2:00pm: Rotary Club Thailand Service Project
7:00pm: The Call

Sunday, April 2
11:30am: Quincy Point Cong. Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, April 3
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
5:30pm: In the Know: Senior Tax Credit

Tuesday, April 4
7-9:10am: LIVE: AM Quincy with Joe Catalano
7:00pm: AM Quincy: Mayor Thomas Koch

Wednesday, April 5
6:00pm: Quincy Point Cong. Good News
7:00pm: The Call

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4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 3/21
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7:00pm: In the Know: Norfolk County Sheriff
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8:30pm: TCPL Events Calendar: Fighting Fire

Saturday/Sunday, April 1/2
9:30am: For Your Health: Type 2 Diabetes
12:00pm: MA House of Representatives
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10:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 3/21
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Box Truck Fire Destroys Vehicle, Damages City Hall

A box truck from a carpet cleaning company doing work at the glass annex building of City Hall burst into flames Saturday afternoon, destroying the vehicle and causing minor damage to the back of the building where the vehicle was parked, officials said.

Fire officials said the fire started due to human error

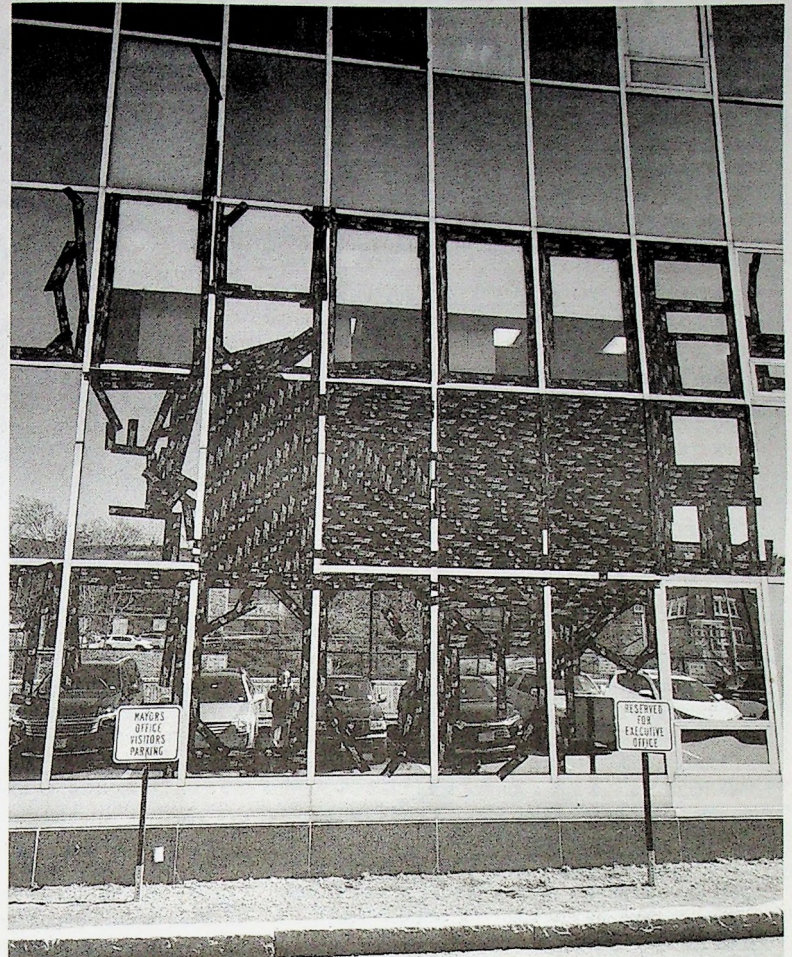
and quickly engulfed the truck belonging to Beckwith Carpet Cleaning of Willard Street in Quincy.

Firefighters were on the scene within minutes of the fire shortly before 4 p.m. on Saturday, and put out the flames before they could spread inside City Hall. A number of exterior glass panels on the building were

shattered by the heat, but there was no interior damage to any City offices.

The glass edifice of City Hall has three panes of glass throughout the building, and only the outermost panes were damaged, officials said.

Officials do not yet have a cost of the damage caused by the fire. There were no injuries.



A BOX TRUCK from a carpet cleaning company doing work at glass annex building of City Hall burst into flames Saturday afternoon, destroying the vehicle and causing minor damage to the back of the building where the vehicle was parked. The glass edifice of City Hall has three panes of glass throughout the building, and only the outermost panes were damaged, officials said. This photo was taken Monday morning.

Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth

Koch No Longer Seeking Ban On Small Liquor Bottles

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"I think it makes sense," he added. "The bottle bill goes back to what, '82 or '83, and has never been updated. If you're going to have a deposit on these items...why wouldn't we have them on these items?"

Adding a 5-cent deposit to each nip would encourage consumers to save and return them, he said. Alternatively, people would collect nips that have been discarded along with other returnable containers like soda cans.

"These things would not be thrown around like they are," Koch said. "It's a big thing with litter. You look at litter, it's cigarettes, it's lottery tickets, it's nips and other plastic bottles."

It would not make sense for Quincy to ban nips while they remain legal in surrounding communities, Koch said.

"I've listened and I think they've raised a pretty good point to me economically what the impact is, because we'd be doing it in a vacuum. If the towns around us

don't do it, then they're just going to go over the border to buy a bunch from Braintree or Weymouth and they come back here," he said.

"There is a fairness issue and I recognize that, so if we get the legislation on the bottle bill, I think that would be tremendous."

A handful of Bay State communities — including Chelsea, Falmouth, Mashpee, Newton and Wareham — have banned nip sales. In recent weeks, a Boston city councillor has called for public hearings to consider banning nip sales there.

Pre-Need Burial Plots Available For Purchase At Pine Hill Cemetery

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Graves must be purchased by individual residents and not organizations. Residents are allowed to purchase up to eight burial spots.

For the first time in city history, cremation niches

will be available for sale. A niche (two interments) will cost \$2,000 and there is a \$500 engraving fee.

"The long-awaited project will ensure that Quincy residents can visit their deceased loved ones conveniently," said Murphy.

"Many of our cemetery visitors are elderly and knowing that they don't have to drive far to grieve is a priceless piece of mind for many. The project is coming along nicely and it will be a beautiful spot when we are done in late 2023/early 2024."

AAA: Massachusetts Gasoline Prices Down 2 Cents

The average gas price in Massachusetts is down 2 cents from last week (\$3.27), averaging \$3.25 per gallon. Monday's price is 4 cents lower than a month ago (\$3.29), and 99 cents lower than March 27, 2022 (\$4.24). Massachusetts' average gas price is 18 cents lower than the national average.

Spring has sprung with gas demand surging last week as motorists took advantage of better driving weather. But fears of a recession caused global oil prices to hover near \$70 a barrel, mitigating a rise in gas prices. The national average for a gallon of regular gasoline drifted lower since

last week by three cents to hit \$3.43.

"We may be seeing a return to seasonal trends in demand with warmer weather and longer days," said Mary Maguire, AAA Northeast Vice President of Public and Government Affairs. "But waffling oil prices could mitigate any increase at the pump for now."

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April Children's Events, Activities At Crane Library

By JULIE RINES
Children's Coordinator
Thomas Crane Public Library

The following events and activities for children are scheduled during the month of April at the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Drop in Storytime Programs

Preschool Storytime @North Quincy for ages 2-5
Mondays 3/27, 4/3, 4/10, 4/24, 5/1 at 10 a.m.

StoryLab -Physical Science @Wollaston ages 4-8
Mondays 4/3, 4/10, 4/24, 5/1 at 3 p.m.

Rock-a-bye Baby Storytime for ages 4-11 months
Tuesdays 3/28, 4/4, 4/25, 5/2 at 9:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytime @Adams Shore for ages 2-3
Tuesdays 3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/25, 5/2 at 10 a.m.

Toddler Storytime for ages 2-3
Wednesdays 3/29, 4/5, 4/12, 4/26, 5/3 at 10 a.m.

Storytime with Miss Riley @North Quincy ages 2-5
Join Miss Riley at the North Quincy Library at 10 a.m. every Saturday this April and May where we will share stories, rhymes and more.

This program is especially for children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult.

Music and Movement with Miss Rubi ages 0-2

We invite our youngest patrons ages 0-2 to join Miss Rubi from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 1st for a Music and Movement program especially designed for them. These sessions will feature baby bounces, tickles, wiggles, finger plays and nursery rhymes with parent participation.

This program is especially for children ages 0-2 accompanied by an adult.

Music and Movement with Miss Rubi ages 3-6

We invite Miss Rubi's fans ages 3-6 to join us on Saturday, April 1st from 11 to 11:30 a.m. for a Music and Movement program full of large scale movements, rhythm clapping, finger plays and nursery rhymes including early literacy and music activities. Parent participation highly encouraged.

So put on your favorite dancing shoes and join us for this lively mix of music and movement. Please bring a stuffie along with you to join the fun.

These programs are especially for children ages 3-6 accompanied by an adult.

Pajama Storytime for ages 1-5

Join us for a monthly family pajama storytime for the whole family. This program is especially for children ages 1-5 accompanied by an adult.

This month we will meet on Thursday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. when we will read stories, sing songs, recite rhymes, and more all about getting ready for bed, and don't forget to wear your pajamas!

Night Owls Book Club @North Quincy for Grades 3 and 4

Join us for the Night Owls Book Club at the North Quincy Library.

We invite children in grades 3 and 4 to join us to discuss a chapter book or graphic novel on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. We'll vote for upcoming titles at the end of each meeting.

On Tuesday, April 11th we will be discussing "Skunk and Badger" by Amy Timberlake

Wallace and Gromit meets Winnie-the-Pooh in a fresh take on a classic odd-couple friendship, from Newbery Honor author Amy Timberlake with full-color and black-and-white illustrations throughout by Caldecott Medalist Jon Klassen.

Copies of the book are available to check out at North Quincy and as an audiobook and e-book from Overdrive and Hoopla.

Graphic Novels ONLY book club for grades 3-5

Children in grades 3-5 are invited to join us on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. for our Graphic Novels Only book club. Each month we will discuss a different graphic novel.

On Wednesday, April 12th we'll meet to discuss "Miss Quinces" by Kat Fajardo.

Sue just wants to spend the summer reading and making comics at sleepaway camp with her friends, but instead she gets stuck going to Honduras to visit relatives with her parents and two sisters. They live way out in the country, which means no texting, no cable, and no Internet! The trip takes a turn for the worse when Sue's mother announces that they'll be having a surprise quinceañera for Sue, which is the last thing she wants. She can't imagine wearing a big,

floofy, colorful dress! What is Sue going to do? And how will she survive all this "quality" time with her rambunctious family?

Copies of the book are available to check out in the Main Library Children's Room and as an e-book on Libby.

Preschool Discovery @ Wollaston for ages 3-5

Drop by the Wollaston Library with your preschooler, ages 3-5, any time between 3 and 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 13th to do some fun simple science together. Activities, experiments and instructions will be provided for science you can do with your child.

This month come in and learn about animals! Look at paw prints, sort some animals and find out what keeps animals warm in cold water!

Night Owls Book Club for Grades 3 and 4

We invite children in grades 3 and 4 to join us to discuss a chapter book or graphic novel on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. We'll vote for upcoming titles at the end of each meeting.

On Thursday, April 13th we'll be discussing "Before the Ever After" by Jacqueline Woodson.

ZJ's friends Ollie, Darry and Daniel help him cope when his father, a beloved professional football player, suffers severe headaches and memory loss that spell the end of his career.

Copies of the book are available to check out at the Main Library Children's Room and as an audiobook and e-book on Libby.

Preschool Discovery @ North Quincy for ages 3-5

Drop by the North Quincy Library with your preschooler, ages 3-5, any time between 11 a.m. and noon on Saturday, April 15th to do some fun simple science together. Activities, experiments and instructions will be provided for science you can do with your child.

This month come in and learn about animals! Look at paw prints, sort some animals and find out what keeps animals warm in cold water!

Crafts @ Adams Shore All Ages

Stop by the Adams Shore Branch during school vacation week (April 18-20) to do some crafting.

Stop by Adams Shore during our open hours to pick up a craft to make at the library or to take and make at home, while supplies last.

Blackout Poetry @ Wollaston Ages 6+

Stop by the Wollaston Branch Library during school vacation week (April 18-20) during open hours to make a poem out of old book pages. No writing necessary! Pick the words you want to keep and cross out the rest to create a poem to keep or post at the library.

This activity is especially suited to children who are independent readers, but anyone can participate!

Kids Board Games for ages 3+

Make it a family adventure. Stop by the Main Library children's room from 2 to 4 p.m. each afternoon during school vacation week (April 18-21) and play one of your favorite board games or try something new.

Games suitable for children ages 3 and older such as Candyland, Checkers, Sorry and many more will be provided.

Choose Your Own Adventure Read Along

@North Quincy for Grades K-3

On Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m. children in grades K-3 are invited to join us for a Choose Your Own Adventure Read Along!

We'll be reading "The Lake Monster Mystery," by Shannon Gilligan, and choosing the path our story takes, together! Join us on the adventure and help decide what happens next!

Dungeons and Dragons for ages 10-15

New and experienced players are invited to join us in

person at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18th for this introduction to D&D 5th edition game play. Take on the role of a fantasy hero in this Dungeons & Dragons game. We will meet for an hour and a half to play this campaign. Please note: There is no wait list for this program, but we will be running more campaigns in the coming months.

Registration is required for this program. Register through our online calendar. This program is for ages 10-15.

This program will take place in the Main Library Children's Room. Character sheets will be provided.

Preschool Discovery @ Adams Shore for ages 3-5

Drop by the Adams Shore Library with your preschooler, ages 3-5, any time between 3 and 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19th to do some fun simple science together. Activities, experiments and instructions will be provided for science you can do with your child.

This month come in and learn about animals! Look at paw prints, sort some animals and find out what keeps animals warm in cold water!

EXPLORE @Wollaston for grades 4-6

Children in grades 4-6 are invited to drop in to the Wollaston Branch on Wednesday, April 19th anytime from 2 to 8 p.m. for the special school vacation week event - Chain Reaction. Build a Rube Goldberg machine using odds and ends to explore cause and effect in a chain reaction.

Escape the Haunted Graveyard for Grades 5-12

On Thursday, April 20th tweens and teens in grades 5-12 are invited to join Matt Donle of Wicked Fun Games as they try to escape the Haunted Graveyard. Work as a team to assemble gravestones, translate runes, and help the Gravekeeper to escape!

Space in the graveyard is limited so we will be running 3 separate sessions. Registration is required and is limited to Quincy residents.

Session 1 at 2:30 p.m. is for grades 5-7

Session 2 at 4:00 p.m. is for grades 8-12

Session 3 at 5:30 p.m. is for grades 5-12

Preschool Discovery @ Main Library for ages 3-5

Drop by the Main Library children's room with your preschooler, ages 3-5, any time between 10 and 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 22nd to do some fun simple science together. Activities, experiments and instructions will be provided for science you can do with your child.

This month come in and learn about animals! Look at paw prints, sort some animals and find out what keeps animals warm in cold water!

Tween Crafternoon for grades 5-8

Join us on Wednesday, April 26th for our first tween crafternoon for grades 5-8. Stop by between 1 to 2 p.m. to make something and give us your suggestions for future projects.

Review Crew for grades 5-7

Do you like talking about books, movies, or video games? Want your favorites displayed in the children's room? Beginning in January, the Review Crew for 5-7th graders will meet on the third Thursday of each month at the Main Library to present and discuss our thoughts on library materials, write reviews, and put together a display to share our favorites with the rest of the children's room!

We will meet on Thursday, April 27th at 7 p.m. for "Friends you haven't met yet." Pick a book by an author you haven't read yet.

Celebrate Superhero Day

Celebrate Superhero Day, Saturday, April 29th with a special Superhero storytime at 10 a.m. in the large meeting room at the Main Library. After our stories participants will have a chance to design their own superhero mask and cape.

All programs sponsored and supported by the Friends of the Thomas Crane Public Library.

Paris Baguette Plans Quincy Location This Summer

Paris Baguette, a bakery cafe, plans to open a Quincy location at 189 Hancock St. this summer.

The Quincy cafe will bring the total number of locations within Massachusetts to six. An agreement was recently signed by Gong Lu, a Quincy resident, and Mark Mele, chief development officer.

"When looking for the right franchise opportunity, Paris Baguette was the ideal

fit because of its amazing product line, store design, and proven response from communities throughout the United States," said Lu.

Moving forward, the brand continues to eye the 1,000 unit mark within the states by 2030, and as it continues to grow, Mele explained that Paris Baguette seeks passionate franchisees interested in serving people in a welcoming neighborhood establishment.

"We want someone who is going to take the time to be present in their store and be caring with the staff so that everyone understands the most important person is the guest," he added.

Though the bakery market as a whole has become a nearly \$12 billion segment, Paris Baguette continues to fill the void for high-quality, freshly baked foods. Unlike many bakery concepts, which have shifted to soups,

salads, and pre-made bakery items, Paris Baguette continues to offer a wide range of products produced in the café daily.

For franchisees looking to enter the bakery café space, the brand provides exceptional support without straying from its roots as a true bakery concept.

Paris Baguette is targeting several markets in 2023 and aims to sign 130 franchise agreements and open 64 units.

Koch: Plans To Demolish RG Amphitheater Shelved

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At the November meeting of the city's park board, which state the "Administration would like to begin work to re-purpose/re-use of the Ruth Gordon Amphitheatre location as part of a bigger project at Pageant Field. Ruth Gordon's name and legacy will continue in another manner."

Bid documents the city released for work at Pageant Field also included references to the demolition of the amphitheater. Those documents were later amended to remove that aspect of the project.

In the recent interview, Koch said the Department of Natural Resources had come up with the idea of demolishing the amphitheater to address safety concerns and provide additional space for recreational uses within Merrymount Park. Those plans are now on hold, he said.

"It's my understanding — this didn't come from the mayor's office — that the park department was looking at repurposing the amphitheater. One of the concerns was the climbing wall in the back and stuff with the kids climbing it and falling. I also know they have a lot of pressure — always there is new recreation things going on and things they are looking for space for. Like pickleball. We're behind on pickleball...we need to build more pickleball courts in the city, there is no question about it, to meet that demand," Koch said.

"As I understand it, they were looking at potential repurposing because the old days of the band concerts up there have been long gone. When the public concerts are held, they are usually up here at Hancock-Adams Common, maybe Kilroy Square from time to time.

"Whether the park department moves on from that or not, we plan on honoring Ruth Gordon in a much more robust way with the performing arts center honoring her contributions and Lee Remick and a number of others from Quincy that went on to do some great things in the entertainment business.

"Since this came up, I have asked the commissioner to stop any further action, review or anything with the amphitheater and if they want to revisit it later, revisit later."

The mayor added that he found the public response to the proposal "interesting" because the amphitheater is no longer in regular use for events.

"I did find it interesting, all these people stepping up," he said. "There hasn't been anything at the

amphitheater in years — any formal presentation-type thing. Now I know DARE has used it for space, not as an amphitheater but more as a space there. I've certainly heard from people, gotten emails, and that's why I told the park department just pull the plug on that, leave it alone for now. Whether it gets revisited down the road, I don't know, but for now we're pulling the plug.

"I think one of the reasons they were looking at it was because we're doing Pageant Field completely over. It's being completely rebuilt this spring. We're moving a diamond around, a new pavilion area, new turf, irrigation going in, a new walkway going around. It's part of the original master plan.

"I think in light of that the park department probably looked at it, 'oh geez, this hasn't been really used, maybe we should do something else with it.' Now of course we've got the public outcry, so at this point nothing is going to happen at the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater."

When asked about the possibility of holding more events at the amphitheater, Koch said doing so can be challenging because of limited parking in the vicinity.

"One of the challenges with its location there is you're competing — you're competing with Adams Field, Pageant Field, the girls' softball programs, the family outings all summer, so when do you fit it in when there is ample parking to meet all those needs?" he said. "That's another challenge. When it was sited originally, that wasn't really thought through in my view. That's a bit of a challenge, so that has to be dealt with."

"I'm not opposed to programs there, looking at it, rejuvenating things. I think the headstone, for lack of a better term, that honors her is a feeble attempt to honor her," Koch continued, referring to the granite marker at the amphitheater. "I think we can do better than that."

"That's why if the amphitheater stays forever, I'm still going to be honoring Ruth Gordon as part of the new performing arts center. Whether she is going to have a bust or statue at the performing arts center, if she were alive today and we gave her the choice to pick one, I'm guessing she'd pick that one."

Koch added that he had spoken about the amphitheater with Louise LaRaia, the wife of the late Mayor LaRaia, and the two "had a nice conversation."

"I recognize all the work that went in. I talked to Louise LaRaia. She called me



RUTH GORDON AMPHITHEATER as seen from the last row adjacent to Pageant Field in Merrymount Park. The outdoor entertainment venue was dedicated nearly 40 years ago on Nov. 10, 1984 in honor of Quincy-born Academy Award winning actress Ruth Gordon who returned home for the ceremony. Following public outcry earlier this month, the city will not move forward at this time with plans to demolish the amphitheater. "At this point it's a dead issue as far as it being changed," Mayor Thomas Koch said in a recent interview.

Quincy Sun Photo/Robert Bosworth

on it. We had a nice conversation," Koch said. "At this point it's a dead issue as far as it being changed."

When asked if there had been any talks about renovating the amphitheater, Koch replied "There really hasn't been because there has been nothing there."

"I don't want to spend all kinds of money on something that is going to continue to be underutilized," he said. "If there is a committee that steps forward that thinks they're going to do some things up there, then we'll look at it. If we're going to accommodate some of this stuff, then what do we need to do that and what improvements need to be made or adjustments need to be made."

"I'm hoping to look into

that going forward, but again you're competing on the calendar for certain days in the year in the good weather with youth programs, family outings. It's a busy spot, a well-used spot, and a beautiful spot for that matter."

In June 2021, Koch announced that Sam Slater, a developer and Hollywood producer, had been chosen as the designated developer for the city-owned Messina Lot in Quincy Center. The mayor said a 14- or 15-story building would be built on that site with room for a new performing arts center and some 350 residential units.

The performing arts center originally was going to be named in memory of First Ladies Abigail and Louisa Adams. This past fall — as

the city prepared to dedicate a new statue of Abigail Adams on the Hancock-Adams Common — the mayor said the venue would instead be dedicated to those in the creative arts who hail from Quincy such as Gordon and fellow actress Remick, writer John Cheever or musician Dick Dale.

The city continues to work with Slater on plans for the performing arts center, Koch said recently, adding that such a venue was something residents had asked for in public surveys conducted as part of the Quincy 400 initiative.

"I have nothing new to report at this point," about the performing arts center, Koch said. "We're still trying to make it pencil."

"We spent some seri-

ous time on it just trying to make the numbers work because it's expensive," he added. "But the reason I'm so committed to it is through our whole process on the Quincy 400, the most common thing we heard from people, request, was we need — some call it a performing arts center, some call it a cultural center, but essentially it is the same thing — a place where you can come together as a city to do these kind [of things] whether it is film, whether it is theatre, whether it is concerts.

"That's why we're spending a lot of time on it, because I know the people, that's what they want, and I do think it's a missing link in a city our size in our downtown."

Friends Of The Ruth Gordon Amphitheater Stand Out At Quincy City Hall Thursday

On Thursday, March 30 from 4 to 6 p.m., Friends of the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater will hold a stand out at Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock St., protesting the city's plan to demolish this historic and cultural landmark.

The Friends stand together in support of the preservation and restoration of the Amphitheater.

The stand out is open to all concerned citizens.

The Amphitheater, dedicated in 1984, was built to honor Academy Award winning actress, playwright and author, Ruth Gordon, a native of the city.

Friends of the Amphitheater learned on March 5 of the city's (unpublished) plans to demolish this land-

mark.

Within 48 hours of receiving numerous complaints against demolition, City Hall took note, and put those plans on hold.

"The objective of this stand out is to inform the

citizenry, and members of local arts and performing communities, that this site, built in tribute to a world renown actress, dedicated to the performing arts, is under threat.

"We demand this am-

phitheater be preserved as a part of the city's history, and more importantly, as a free and open venue for current and future generations of artists and performers in the city," the press release from the Friends stated.

Robert G. Noble, Sr. Scholarship Award

The Robert G. Noble Sr. Scholarship award has been established by the American Legion Cyril P. Morrisette Post 294 in memory of this beloved community figure and longtime activist who made the City of Quincy better.

As an Ex-POW of World War II, Mr. Noble served in the U.S. Army. He was a man of deep faith and lived a life of unwavering

commitment to his family, friends and country. Mr. Noble personified the duty and sacrifice of "The Greatest Generation" and has left a legacy of service for generations to come.

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a resident of Quincy. The scholarship will be awarded to qualified high school seniors, currently enrolled college students and students who have

applied to or are attending a trade school.

This will be the final year of the Robert G. Noble Sr. Scholarship. The Noble family thanks all who contributed to this fund in honor of their father. For further information and to receive an application contact Andrea Noble-White at: RGNoblescholarship@gmail.com. Deadline for submission is April 28.

On Monday, March 13, Officer Rolfsen was working a day shift and on patrol with his canine partner Archer.

At approximately 2:20 p.m., while driving through the Home Depot parking lot, located at 177 Willard St., Officer Rolfsen observed a white female, wearing gray sweatpants and a black sweatshirt. This female was walking away from a gray Ford Fiesta, bearing a Massachusetts registration plate. Officer Rolfsen noticed this female had walked to an area where mulch beds were located and had no merchandise for purchase. She then quickly returned to the vehicle in a hurry.

Officer Rolfsen radioed Detective Coen and discovered that the plate of the observed vehicle listed back as stolen out of Boston. Detectives O'Brien, Bossart and O'Rourke responded to assist. The female was now sitting in the ve-

A Job Well Done

By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT

Public Information Officer
Quincy Police Department

hicle and the vehicle was running. The female suspect was asked to step out of the vehicle and was placed in custody.

A query of the suspect's name showed her to have a revoked driver's license and an outstanding felony warrant for unarmed robbery. She is being charged with receiving stolen property over \$1,200 and operating after revocation. The vehicle was towed from the scene and the suspect was transported to police headquarters for booking.

On Friday, March 17, Officer Rolfsen was working a day shift and on patrol with his canine partner Archer. At approximately 12:45 p.m., Officer Rolfsen while turning from Furnace Brook Parkway onto Adams Street observed a large white GMC Savana U-Haul truck with an Arizona registration.

The operator was using their cell phone while driving. A query of the Arizona registration returned a "HOT VEH;STOLEN VEHICLE" status out of Boston. A motor vehicle stop was initiated at the intersection of Common Street at Reardon Street. The operator did have a valid driver's license. He was asked to exit the vehicle and was placed into custody for hands free violation and receiving stolen property over \$1,200.

Great work by Officer Rolfsen and the assisting officers!

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FRIDAY, MARCH 17

LARCENY (drill stolen), 12:25 p.m., Edgewood Circle. Drill stolen from basement. Report filed.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE, 8:45 a.m., Des Moines Road. Company is Good Old Days car rental. Was to return by noon yesterday (March 17). Male will not answer cell to return car. Blue Toyota Rav 4. Stolen vehicle entered - record entered.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PROGRESS, 11:45 a.m., Donovan Brothers Auto, 610 Hancock St. Two males in back of garage cutting a fence. Tall white male, gray hair and a heavy set female. Now in National Grid area. Field investigative report filed.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (bird stolen), 4:22 p.m., 200 block of Burgin Parkway. Caller states neighbor broke into the caller's house and stole one of his birds. Report to be filed.

VANDALISM/PROPERTY (truck window), 7:03 p.m., South Street. Male was driving the truck on South Street and heard a pop noise and his back window came out and had a hole in it prior to smashing. Happened at approximately 5:30 p.m. No signs of anything intentional. Case number provided. Caller advised.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (residence), 10:30 a.m., low numbers of Harriet Avenue. Happened yesterday. Reporting party states brief case was taken with all personal info in it. Report to be filed by officer.

LARCENY (mailbox), 11:12 a.m., Silver Street. Party has been gone for a week came home to find mailbox missing. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (medication), 5:59 p.m., 70 block of Water Street. Reporting party says her medication at CVS was picked up by an unknown person. Report to be filed.

MONDAY, MARCH 20

BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (overnight), 6:33 a.m., Burger King, 62 Granite St. Drive-thru window smashed and items in the store are broken and donation box money was stolen. Report to be filed.

LARCENY (package), 5:18 p.m., 80 Clay St. States someone stole her package. FedEx dropped off the package by the buzzer and now it's gone. Report to be filed.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (black Jeep), 4:06 p.m., 20 block of Chestnut Street. See reporting party in QPD lobby. Reporting person says he rented his vehicle to a female. Entered as stolen. Report to be filed.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (moped), 10:59 p.m., 30 block of Franklin Street. Serviced 785 Murray to file report.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

ASSAULT AND BATTERY (serious body injury), 11:11 a.m., YMCA, 79 Coddington St. Incident occurred on March 20. Report to be filed.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (stolen), 11:32 a.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St. Reporting party states the company 12-foot box truck was taken again. Stolen form submitted.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23

LARCENY (wallet), 12:37 a.m., Marriott Hotel, 1000 Marriott Dr. Reporting party originally stated his wallet was stolen but now saying his friend will not let him into the room to get his wallet. Larceny report to be filed. Units clear.

BREAKING AND ENTERING/ATTEMPT, 9:01 a.m., 200 block of Independence Avenue. Happened last night, smashed window. Report to be filed.

LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE, 5:32 p.m., 70 block on Adams Street. See reporting party in QPD lobby. Vehicle stolen sometime between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. in the lot. Report to be filed.

Koch Open To Review Of City Zoning Code

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them during that process.

"Our form of government is a strong mayor form of government, but the council has control on zoning, so the council can change zoning by a vote of the City Council at any time," Koch said.

"We introduced a change a year ago and we reintroduced it again this year that hasn't been acted on, on the zoning, so I'm glad to see they're looking at it and focused on it and we'll work

with them because, at the end of the day, they're the body that controls the zoning of the city."

Koch in October 2021 had proposed amending the zoning code to limit the percentage of lots that buildings may cover in residential areas to 30 percent in Residence A and B districts and 42 percent in Residence C districts. That ordinance was reintroduced in January 2022 at the start of the current City Council term and

remains in committee.

If councillors plan to review zoning in the city, Koch said his administration "will be as helpful as we can."

"I don't know if they're bringing in specific ideas if they want to change the zoning. It's one thing to say we want a review - OK, we know what it is, what do you want changed?" he said. "We will gladly work with them on that and if we have to bring in a professional at-

torney that focuses on this for municipalities to assist, we will do that as well."

"I am willing to work with the council any day of

the week on any issue, but zoning is their baby and I say that respectfully," he added. "That is one of the areas of our charter where

they have specific authority, the zoning code of the city, so I will gladly work with them on it and provide any help they need on it."

School Committee Teachers Reach Tentative Agreement

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pleased to announce the successful negotiation of a successor collective bargaining agreement for the period of

Sept. 1, 2022 through Aug. 31, 2025," the two sides said in a joint statement on March 24.

"Both parties agree that

this settlement represents a positive step forward for the district and our educational staff who work hard in the schools every day supporting students and families. This new contract contains a number of significant improvements for Quincy educators. We are grateful for the work of both parties in reaching this contract and look forward to a continued collaborative relationship."

The memorandum of agreement between the two parties, which lays out terms of the tentative contract, was made public on Monday.

Under the tentative agreement, teachers will receive a 3 percent annual raise each year of the three-year deal. In addition, effective Aug. 31, 2023, salary level 4.0 - the lowest salary level - will be eliminated and union members at that level will be shifted to level 4.5 at their same step after annual step progression; \$650 will be added to each step of level 6.5 at that point as well.

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To Qualify, You Must Be:

- A new member bringing in a minimum of \$1,000 to QCU.
- An existing member bringing in a minimum of \$1,000 from outside QCU.
- An existing member with existing funds at QCU who have at least \$500 in direct deposit.

Benefits Of Adding Water Features To The Landscape

By MELINDA MYERS

Boost the beauty and your enjoyment by adding a fountain, birdbath, or other water feature to your balcony, deck, or landscape. This one addition to your outdoor space provides many benefits.

The sound of moving water helps create a sense of peace and relaxation. It is a form of white noise that helps calm the mind and revive your spirit.

It also helps mask noise pollution. Combine water features with strategic screening to create a quiet and private space.

Water is also a great way to attract songbirds and pollinators to your gardens. A birdbath with gently sloping sides allows birds and insects to take a sip without getting all wet. Or add a few stones to your birdbath to accomplish the same results. Be sure to change the water often as providing fresh water is important for the health of your winged guests.

Bring in even more birds by adding some type of water agitator to your birdbath. Moving water is very appealing and helps attract more birds, especially during spring and fall migration.

No need to worry about mosquitoes taking residency in your water feature. Moving water is less appealing and adding Summit® Mosquito Dunks® (SummitResponsibleSolutions.com) to water features prevents mosquitoes from breeding there. Just toss this donut-shaped cake of *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis* (Bti) into the water. This naturally occurring bacteria only kills the larvae of mosquitoes, black flies, and fungus gnats. It won't harm people, pets, fish, or wildlife.

With so many options you are sure to find one that fits the size and style of your outdoor space. A wall-



A WATER FEATURE and statue add interest and relaxation to the landscape. Photo Courtesy MelindaMyers.com

mounted fountain provides calming sound to patios, porches, and spaces near your home without taking up any valuable floor space.

A small tabletop water garden or fountain can make a nice centerpiece when dining outside or entertaining guests. Then simply move your miniature water feature as needed to maximize your enjoyment.

A natural boulder-turned water fountain is the perfect addition for those with

informal or natural spaces. Make it appealing to birds by selecting one with a flat area or small indentation to capture some of the water before it flows over the edge.

Select a garden statue with a built-in water fountain for a different aesthetic. Animals and mystical figures add playfulness to the garden while stately figures fit nicely in more formal settings.

Convert one or several

plant pots into a fountain. You'll find lots of ideas and step-by-step directions on the internet. Or purchase one ready to install in the garden. These, like other fountains, recirculate water which reduces water waste.

Freshen up any space in the landscape with one of these water features. As soon as it is in place, you'll

enjoy the relaxing sounds of water and the songbirds, butterflies, and others it attracts to your gardens.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant

video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Summit for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.



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Yoga

With Lori Scott

Sunday 4.2.23 3:00-4:30p

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August Opening For Housing Resource Center

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Yazwinski said.

"We will offer daytime services, so we will have a day center. We will offer prevention services and diversion services. We will have access to meeting rooms, technology. We're going to have Manet Health there as a licensed healthcare clinic — DPH has already approved it — so people can get healthcare immediately and not go to our emergency rooms."

In addition to the medical clinic, the day center will have a commercial kitchen and dining space, a library and access to technology, showers, laundry and lockers, as well as private meeting space and training rooms. FBMS will offer various services in the new building, including housing supports, case management, employment services and community lunch. Other non-profits, like Bay State Community Services, will also offer services inside the new building.

The new facility was originally slated to open sometime this spring. Yazwinski said supply chain issues have pushed the projected opening to August.

"We're looking at an August opening, so we're

excited about that," he said. "We were hoping for a spring timeline but if anybody knows where the switchgears are in the world please tell us. We've had some, as everybody has faced across the country, delays in product coming down the pipeline."

The new housing resource center is projected to cost \$26 million, Yazwinski said. The state has contributed \$13 million to the project and the city has provided \$3 million, including \$1 million from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and a \$250,000 housing choice grant. In addition, the city is leasing the site on which the non-profit is constructing the new buildings to Father Bill's & MainSpring for 99 years at \$1 annually; Yazwinski said that is equivalent to an in-kind contribution of \$1.8 million to the project.

Yazwinski credited the city of Quincy and its planning department for their assistance in constructing the new housing resource center and on other initiatives.

"Father Bill's and the city of Quincy have been in lockstep on like, 'let's focus on housing, let's end homelessness, let's not manage

homelessness.' Your planning department is well aware of and is very savvy with how do we invest dollars that are coming to this region together," he said.

"We're not going to do this without political will. Always help us keep the political will we have. If we do not have it, we will have more people struggling outside in our communities."

Father Bill's & Main-

Spring has also started a campaign to raise \$10 million from various donors for the project. The organization had raised \$9.8 million to date.

"We had to raise close to \$10 million, to put our own money in from our donors, from private donors in our community to corporations to foundations. We did a capital campaign, and everybody stepped up, which

is just tremendous," Yazwinski said.

"The largest campaign we've ever done in our history, and I just can't say enough of how strong the South Shore community, the Quincy community has been for this project."

Ward 1 Councillor David McCarthy, in whose district Broad Street is located, said the new facility would represent a leap forward for the

organization.

"What a transformation on Broad Street led by Father Bill's and the move across the street," he said. "I know you're getting close. What a leap forward from the building you were in to this housing resource center that will have everything. You talk about Manet, you talk about permanent housing in there. The options

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YAWKEY HOUSING RESOURCE Center is under construction at 39 Broad St. and is slated to open in August. It will replace Father Bill's Place across the street. An emergency shelter and day center will be included in the building seen at left while the building at right will house 30 units of permanent supportive housing.

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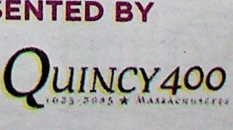
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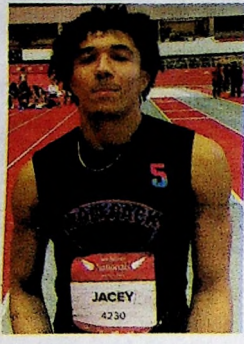



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Salma	Boukhtam	F	4 x 800m Relay Rising Stars	(2:19.1)		Split PR

Housing Resource Center Opening

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now are endless. You've done a tremendous job."

Councillor Nina Liang, who had invited Yazwinski to give the update, said Father Bill's & MainSpring has been a true partner in the community.

"From the bottom of my heart...I wanted to take this opportunity to educate us, educate folks out there in the city, to know that there is this tremendous resource, to thank you profusely for being real, true community partners," she said.

Liang also asked Yazwinski how community

members looking to help out FBMS could do so. He said people can visit organization's website, helpfbms.org, for more information on how to donate toward the new facility or to view a wish list with items like new sheets and towels. The non-profit is also in need of volunteers in the aftermath of the pandemic, he said.

"We didn't want volunteers, we wanted to keep people safe, but we need people to come back," Yazwinski said. "I hope people can check out our website, look at our wish list all year round...and come back and volunteer and provide

food."

Asked about the new housing resource center in a recent interview, Mayor Thomas Koch said he likes the new model the non-profit will be using.

"I think this new concept which will be implemented is a good one. It's been tried in other places," Koch said.

"You've got the triage, you've got transitional apartments, you've got a resource center so you're not throwing them out on the street every morning at 7:30 and then they're looking for places to go, particularly in the cold weather. I think it addresses a lot of that."



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A Passover Message

By RABBI DAVID GROSSMAN
Temple Beth Sholom

Beginning Wednesday evening, April 5th through Thursday, April 13, Jews the world round will be celebrating Passover. It's the most observed holiday on the calendar, even for Jews who are not that ritual-minded. What does the holiday signify?

A look at its various names can answer that question.

One name is Chag Ha-Matzot, the Festival of Matzah. We eat no leavened breads during the eight days of its duration. Instead, we eat Matzah, the cracker-like unleavened bread eaten by our ancestors. There was no time for the dough to rise as they fled Egypt, so the Matzah is a remembrance of the first Passover.

Another name is Chag HaAviv, the Festival of Spring. We align our entire lunar calendar so that Passover will fall when the crocuses break through and the snow melts. It's an inspiring time of year, filled with the start of baseball, warm



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DAVID GROSSMAN

sun and when, as Tennyson said, "In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."

Finally, Passover is known as Z'man Chayrutaynu, the Time of our Liberation. We commemorate our exodus from Egypt and the beginnings of our nationhood as free people.

So, Passover has many facets that uplift and inspire us. Maybe that's why it's the most observed holiday on the Jewish calendar!

Rabbi David Grossman

License Board OKs Three Requests

By SCOTT JACKSON

The city's Board of License Commissioners approved three requests at its March 21st meeting.

Approved during that meeting was the request of Clifford Marshall and Point Webster School PTOs for a special-use permit for their fourth annual Family Fun Run and Wellness Expo on the Saturday, June 3.

For the fun run that morning, participants will make their way from Point Webster to Clifford Marshall, a roughly 1.5-mile route. At Clifford Marshall, there will be a number of wellness activities, music

and snacks available.

"It is just a great event to get the community together, the kids out, and a lot of fun," said Nick Ahearn, the principal at Clifford Marshall.

Approximately 450 people attended last year's fun run, Steve Perdios said. The vast majority of those present took part in the fun run itself, though some did drive from one school to the other.

Also approved was the request of the Saint Rock Haiti Foundation for a charity wine pouring permit for its fundraising gala scheduled for Thursday, April 20, at the Quincy Marriott. The

permit will allow donated wine to be served at the event. Up to 450 people are expected in attendance.

Based in Milton, the Saint Rock Haiti Foundation operates two health centers and five schools in Haiti, according to Mary McLaughlin, the organization's director of US operations. The organization also has agricultural and clean water programs in the Caribbean nation.

The third item the board approved was the request of 99 Ranch Market, 475 Hancock St., for a change in manager for its liquor license. Laikwan Chan will be the store's new manager.

The March 21 hearing was also the final license board meeting for Lt. Peter Turowski, the police department's liquor inspector for the past 19 years, prior to his upcoming retirement. Lt. Paul Coughlin will be taking over that role.

Police Chief Paul Keenan commended Turowski for his decades of service in the department.

"Peter and I came on the job together in 1983... We've been friends since. I've been chief for 15 years and he has worked all those years as the liquor inspector,

and he's done an excellent job," Keenan said. "Peter has done a tremendous job. He's always been very, very firm and very, very fair. I think you hear that echoed with all the businesses throughout the city who feel the same way."

"We certainly appreciate all your hard work out there in the field, because we can't get out there," said City Clerk Nicole Crispo, the board's chairperson. "If we do have an issue, they all know who you are, and you've been there so many times to help and we appreciate that."

Turowski said he would miss working with the board.

"I've been doing this for 19 years and it's going to be a big change in my life. Paul Coughlin is going to be taking my place and I'm sure he's going to be working with the businesses as I have to make sure the businesses all run smooth and we don't have any issues. I'm sure he'll do a great job as well," Turowski said.

"I appreciate all the support I've gotten from the board in the past and it's been great working with all you guys. I'm going to miss it."

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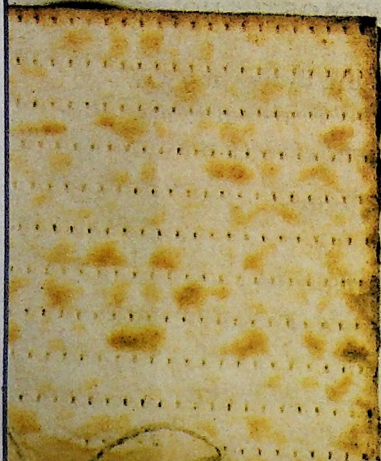
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Exodus 12:13

Happy Passover

Mayor and Mrs. Thomas P. Koch



Quincy Point Congregational Church

Sunday, April 2 is Palm Sunday. The Lenten Series, titled "Reconnecting with an Unhurried God," continues this week at Quincy Point Congregational Church, 444 Washington St., Quincy with "Give it a Rest"-based on Mark 2: 21-28.

Worship begins at 10 a.m., both in-person at the church sanctuary and online

on the church Facebook, Vimeo and YouTube pages.

Holy Week services are as follows. April 6, Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion, Tenebrae and Stripping of the Altar will be at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary. April 7, Good Friday service will be held with the Quincy Interchurch Council at 12 noon at St. Chrysos-

tom's, 1 Linden St., Quincy. It will be live-streamed on QATV.org or QATV- Channel 8 at noon and re-airst at 8 p.m.

There will be two services on Easter Sunday: 6 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at Wollaston Beach across from the Clam Box and adjacent to the yacht clubs (sunrise 6:13 a.m.) with

Rev Kimberly Murphy of QPCC, United Church of Christ, Rev. Liz Williams of Wollaston Congregational, UCC and Rev. Mat Thomas of Bethel Church of the Nazarene; and 10

a.m. Easter Festival Service of the Resurrection. The Point Handbell Ringers will "ring out" the joyous news of Christ's Resurrection. You are invited to wear

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HELLO QUINCY — Ruth Gordon waves to the crowd from stage of Merrymount Park Amphitheater named after her on dedication day Nov. 10, 1984. At left is Mrs. Louise LaRaia, wife of former Mayor and City Councillor Joseph LaRaia and, at right, architect T. Owen Trainor, who designed the amphitheater.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Linda Jarvis

Ruth Gordon And The Amphitheater

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"Oh no," she said, her voice rising with enthusiasm. "I've been busy. Going to make another movie. I'll tell you all about it later. Got to run."

The day of the phone conversation was Aug. 21, 1985.

A week later — Aug. 28 — Henry got another phone call. It was news that Ruth had passed. Her husband was at her side.

Henry was stunned.

"That famous witty voice was stilled. Ruth Gordon, who seemed almost indestructible, was gone," he wrote.

Phones at the Sun started to ring. ABC, NBC, Channel 5, Channel 56, etc., all looking for information.

Henry picked out the best photo Charlie had taken that day and gave it to the Associated Press, Channel 5 and to the Sun's cable news channel, Channel 8. Videotapes were given to Channel 56 and Channel 5. The photo appeared in the Boston Globe, The Herald, New York Times and newspapers all over the country.

They are the last known photos of Ruth Gordon.

"She would have loved them, but, sadly, would never see them," Henry wrote in his tribute.

When Henry called Garson Kanin on the Vineyard that Wednesday to tell him how sorry he was at Ruth's passing, he told him:

"You were her link to her hometown."

Henry considered that a

great honor.

"I'm going to miss those phone calls and those letters, with the words hard to make out," Henry wrote.

"Most of all, I'm going to miss her."

"Not because she was a talented actress. But because she was a down to earth, nice person, who never gave up and was always ready to take on Broadway, Hollywood, television — the world."

The theater's dedication nearly 40 years ago was not only a celebration of Ruth's life. It turned out to be her final visit to Quincy.

"You are a person who has not forgotten where you come from," Mayor Francis McCauley told the witty and indefatigable actress at the dedication.

Emcee Ron Della Chiesa, Boston radio personality and nephew of the late Mayor Amelio Della Chiesa, referred to Ruth as "a lady who taught us how to enjoy life and to live life to its very fullest."

At the dedication, Ruth remembered getting on a train at the old Wollaston station in 1914 heading for New York with a dream of becoming an actress, a year's tuition to the American Academy of Dramatic Arts, her father's old spyglasses and \$50 in spending money pinned to her corset for security.

"Pappa told me I could hock it if I needed money," she told the audience. "He said if you're going to be an actress, you'll be in and

out of hock shops all your life. Well, I hocked plenty of things, but never that spyglass."

"That corset wore out," she said. "You know what didn't wear out?" Me. Plus I still have the \$50."

Ruth Gordon had planned to return to Quincy the following June for "An Evening with Ruth Gordon" at the amphitheater. She also wanted to do a "Reminiscing With Ruth Gordon" with The Quincy Sun — a walk around the old Wollaston neighborhood and talk about her younger days in Quincy.

But those two projects never materialized. She was just too busy doing other things.

I took a stroll to the amphitheater last week. It's



LAST KNOWN PHOTO of Ruth Gordon was taken Aug. 22, 1985 — just six days before her death — at her Martha's Vineyard home by Quincy Sun photographer Charles Flagg. With her is her husband, author-playwright Garson Kanin. They were married 43 years. Ruth won an Academy Award, an Emmy, and two Golden Globe Awards for her acting. She also earned three Academy Award nominations for her writing. Mr. Kanin died March 13, 1999 at the age of 86.

Quincy Sun File Photo/Charles Flagg

showing its age and is a little tired. Some of the railings are gone and concrete missing.

But the bones for a nice outdoor amphitheater are still there.

We have received letters from readers outraged at the thought of filling in the venue.

We get it. The amphitheater was dedicated to arguably the city's greatest entertainer and deserves to be spruced up and put to use. How about using Community Preservation funds for a facelift?

We understand Mayor Tom Koch's position on the issue. In recent times, the venue has not been utilized as much as was foreseen when it was finished four decades ago.

We also applaud his idea of creating a new performing arts center in Quincy Center that pays tribute to not only Ruth Gordon but all the great entertainers and celebrities who have hailed from Quincy including actress Lee Remick, actor Billy DeWolfe and comedian Bill Dana among others.

But there is something historic and nostalgic about the Ruth Gordon Amphitheater. It is worth preserving.

For many years it hosted a summer concert series coordinated by former Mayor Joseph LaRaia. We think refurbishing the venue and marketing it will breathe new life into it.

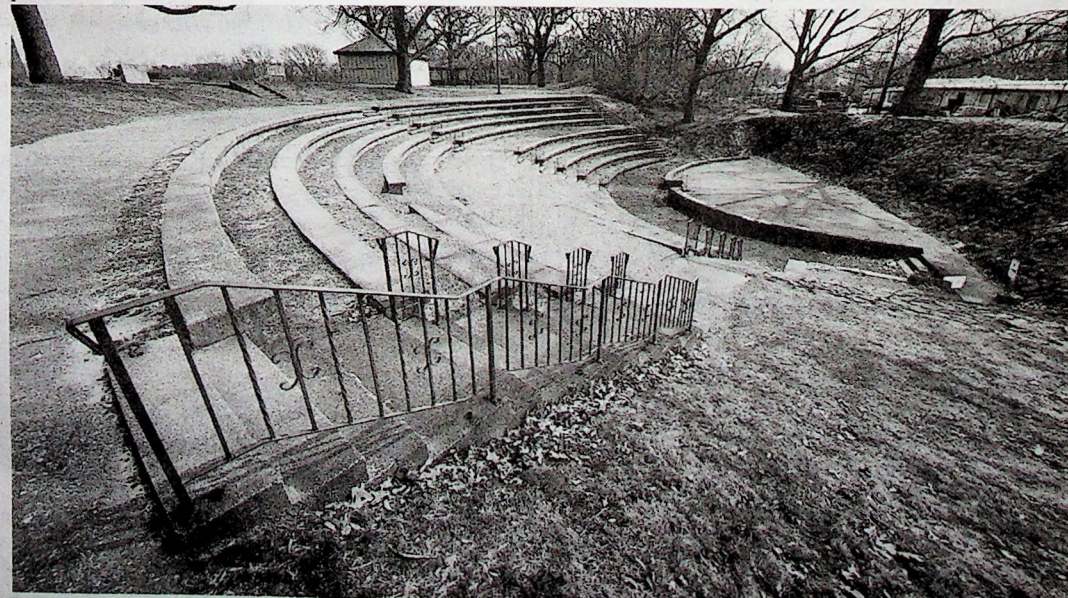
Certainly there must be some budding entertainers and musical acts that would

like the exposure of performing in the City of Presidents. Perhaps the bands that participate in PorchFest would be interested in playing for an outdoor crowd during the summer months there. A "Rock the Ruth" concert series?

We think the city should strongly consider updating the venue and re-dedicating it next November on its 40th anniversary. And make a concerted effort to find local groups who could perform there and put it to good use.

A refurbished Ruth Gordon Amphitheater would be "Act Two" for a venue loved by so many.

It would be another proud day for the city and the memory of Ruth Gordon.



TODAY THE RUTH GORDON AMPHITHEATER at Merrymount Park is underutilized. Many Ruth Gordon fans want the amphitheater to remain an outdoor entertainment venue and be refurbished. The city is holding off on plans to fill it in.

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OBITUARIES

Anthony L. Fratelillo, 71

Anthony Leonard Fratelillo, of Quincy, died peacefully on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at the CareOne at Weymouth. He was 71.

Born in Boston on July 8, 1951, he was a son of the late Joseph and Edith (Armstrong) Fratelillo. Anthony was raised in Houghs Neck and attended local schools. He knew all the Quincy Police Officers and could always be found listening to his police scanner. Anthony loved all the mainstream 70's and 80's television programs. Through the years, he collected the DVD series for all his favorite shows.

Anthony was very social, intelligent, kind, and honest. His family meant more than anything to him and he was proud of all his nieces and nephews. Anthony will be missed by all the lives he touched.

Anthony was the devoted brother of John F. Fratelillo and his wife Marion of Medfield, James C. Fratelillo and his wife Diane of Quincy, the late Joseph A. Fratelillo, the late Thomas



ANTHONY L. FRATELILLO

M. Fratelillo, and the late Daniel D. Fratelillo. Anthony is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Anthony's funeral service was celebrated on Saturday, March 25, 2023, in Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy.

Services concluded with interment in St. Michael's Cemetery, Boston.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Anthony's name to the charitable organization of one's choice.

See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

Ann C. McKechnie, 69

Ann C. (Clasper) McKechnie, age 69, a longtime resident of Quincy, died suddenly, Monday, March 13, 2023 at home.

Ann was born in Greenock, Scotland, to the late William and Euphemia (McKinnon) Clasper. She was raised and educated there. She immigrated to the United States in 1976 at the age of twenty-three, first settling in Walpole, before moving to Quincy, where she lived for over forty years.

Ann was employed as a Global Operations Specialist for State Street Bank for over thirty years at their Quincy office. Following her retirement, she worked as an associate at Star Market on Granite Street in Quincy, where she enjoyed many friendships with colleagues and customers alike.

Ann loved to cook and was a natural hostess. Most of all, she was devoted to her family, especially her cherished son, Craig, and granddaughter, Abigail.

Devoted mother of Craig McKechnie and his wife Erin of Whitman.



ANN C. MCKECHNIE

Loving grandmother of Abigail.

At the request of the family, memorial services will be celebrated at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Ann's memory may be made to the Epilepsy Foundation, Attn: Donor Services, 3540 Crain Highway, Suite 675, Bowie, MD 20716 or by visiting www.epilepsy.com.

Arrangements were under the direction of the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy. You are invited to visit www.thesweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

Mark J. Torchetti, 61

Mark John Torchetti, a lifelong resident of Quincy, died peacefully on Thursday, March 9, 2023 at the South Shore Hospital in Weymouth. He was 61.

Mark was born in Quincy on May 25, 1961. He attended local schools and graduated from the Quincy Vocational Technical High School with the Class of 1979.

Mark was a cherished son of Mary (Penzo) Torchetti of Quincy and the late John Torchetti. He was the beloved husband of Susan J. (Pelechowicz) Torchetti, with whom he shared 40 loving years. Mark was the devoted father of Mark J. Torchetti Jr. and his wife Alicia of Rockland, and the dear brother of John "Jack" Torchetti and his wife Michelle of Abington. He was the loving uncle of Jaylen,



MARK J. TORCHETTI

Travis, Jared, and Adam Torchetti, all of Abington. Mark is also survived by many extended family members and friends.

Following cremation, Mark's funeral services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Mark's name may be sent to the charitable organization of one's choice.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences.

William A. Kesaris

William A. Kesaris, of Quincy, Massachusetts died peacefully on Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

William was born in Sminitsi, Northern Epirus, Greece. He was the son of the late Antonios and Anastasia (Philis) Kesaris.

In his youth, William studied to become a teacher at the University of Vella in Ioannina, Greece. Chasing the American dream, he immigrated to the United States and resided in New York City for a number of years, where he worked in the hotel and restaurant industry. He then moved to Quincy, Massachusetts, where he first co-owned the Red Ram restaurant in the South End of Boston with his brothers Spyridon, George, and Angelo. They then owned the famous Clam Box restaurant on Wollaston Beach in Quincy.

William was a lifelong student of learning. He was an avid reader and writer who had a deep appreciation of Greek History and the Orthodox religion. In 2017, William received the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston Ministry Award for his contributions to the Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church. In his retirement, he greatly enjoyed traveling and gardening.

William was the beloved husband of Mary (Vaggelis) Kesaris. He was the loving father of Haroula and her husband Alexander Panas and Georgia and her husband Kuriakos Petroulas. William was the doting and



WILLIAM A. KESARIS

proud grandfather of Nicoletta, George, Vasilia, Alexander, and Mary Elizabeth.

William leaves behind his brothers Christos Kesaris and Theodore Kesaris. He was predeceased by Spyridon Kesaris and his surviving wife Zoi, George Kesaris and his surviving wife Urania, Angelo Kesaris and his wife Vivian, and Andrea Saxonis and her husband Peter.

William is also survived by many nieces, nephews, godchildren, extended family and friends in Greece and the United States.

His funeral service was held Tuesday, March 28, 2023 in the Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church, 119 Common St., Braintree, Massachusetts.

Services concluded with interment in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree, Massachusetts.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church, 119 Common St., Braintree, Massachusetts 02184.

See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

Richard A. Lallis, 78

Richard A. Lallis, beloved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away on his 78th birthday, March 11, 2023. He was born in Brockton, MA on March 11, 1945, to parents, Anthony and Stacia Lallis, who had emigrated from Lithuania. Richard grew up in Dorchester and spent his childhood helping on his aunt and uncle's farm in Easton. He later raised his children in Quincy with his wife Kathy, where he resided until his passing.

Richard is survived by his children, Richard Lallis Jr., Anthony Lallis, and Kristine Lallis, as well as his grandchildren, Kristy McNamara, Kerryann McNamara, Tyler Lallis, Richard Lallis III, and Madilyn Lallis, and his great-grandchild, Daniel Deal. He was preceded in death by his late wife, Kathleen Lallis, of Quincy.

Richard cherished spending time with his loved ones. He loved dancing and listening to music and was



RICHARD A. LALLIS

often seen on the dance floor at family gatherings. Richard also loved watching his family enjoy themselves on vacation. New Hampshire held a special place in his heart, and he loved spending time with his family up in the mountains and on the lake.

Richard was a kind and generous soul who will be deeply missed by all who knew him. His family takes solace in knowing that he lived a full and happy life and that his memory will live on in the hearts of those who loved him. Private services will be held for Richard.

Daniel J. Doyle, 62

Daniel J. Doyle, age 62, a lifelong resident of Quincy, died peacefully, Saturday, March 25, 2023 at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth, in the comfort of his loving family, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Daniel was born, raised, and educated in Quincy. He was a graduate of Quincy High School, Class of 1978, and also attended Quincy Junior College.

Daniel was proud to have served in the United States Army.

He was employed in the computer industry for several years as a computer programmer.

Dan loved the ocean and boating. He enjoyed spending time with his brother, Kevin, family members, and his many friends.

Beloved son of Patricia J. (Lawton) Doyle of Quincy and the late Joseph A. Doyle.

Devoted brother of Joseph A. Doyle and his wife Cheryl of Sandwich, Steven P. Doyle of Whitman, Kevin M. Doyle and his wife Lisa of Weymouth.

Dan is also survived by many aunts, uncles, nieces,



DANIEL J. DOYLE

nephews, and a great nephew and nieces, and many cousins and friends.

Visiting hours were held at the Sweeney Brothers Home for Funerals, 1 Independence Ave, Quincy, on Tuesday, March 28. Funeral Services will be conducted at the funeral home on Wednesday, March 29, at 10:30 a.m. Interment to follow at Pine Hill Cemetery, West Quincy.

For those who wish, donations in Daniel's memory may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516.

You are invited to visit www.sweeneybrothers.com or call 617-472-6344.

NOTICE TO READERS

Obituaries appearing in The Quincy Sun and posted on the newspaper's website are written by the funeral home handling arrangements input from the deceased's family.

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OBITUARIES

James F.X. Hebert, 88

James Francis Xavier "Jim/Jimmy" Hebert of Pembroke, formerly of Quincy, at 88 1/2 years of age.

He was born at Quincy Hospital on Sept. 30, 1934 to Francis Charles "Frank/Doug" Hebert and Elsie Mae (Roberts) Hebert. He attended St. Mary Elementary School, Sterling Junior High School (now South West Middle School) and Quincy High School, where he played three sports - baseball, basketball and football, with baseball being his favorite. Following high school he enlisted in the U.S. Army, in 1954, as the Korean War was ending. He was sent to France and reported to the Toul Engineering Depot. Lucky for Jim, sports teams were formed to entertain the troops and keep morale up. Jim, the youngest member chosen, played for the Toul-Nancy Dodgers, a combined Toul and Nancy Depot team. They competed against other Army units across Europe. He won the Eastern League batting title in 1955, with an incredible batting average of .428! He was also a leading scorer on the basketball team and the manager on the football team.

Returning home, Jim enrolled at Boston University. Completing his first semester, he was scouted as a top prospect by the Boston Red Sox and was signed by the Red Sox in 1956. After an exciting stint of playing pro ball, he returned to Boston University, graduating with both a BS and Master's of Education Degree in 1960, specializing in the fields of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, as well as concentrations in Biological Sciences, Social Studies and Guidance Counseling.

Jim's career in education began as a teacher in the Abington Public Schools and he retired as a guidance counselor from the Natick Public Schools.

Jim continued playing baseball and softball in the Boston and South Shore Leagues for a number of years. He took up golf, playing at South Shore Country



JAMES F.X. HEBERT

Club and Plymouth Country Club. He was very proud of his three hole-in-ones. Jim developed deep bonds with his golfing and baseball buddies over the years and this became very much like his experience with his beloved baseball teams. Many became life long friends.

Jim enjoyed watching his sons, nephews, and grandsons play sports, as well as all Boston Sports teams. He was inducted into the Quincy High School Baseball Hall of Fame in its first year in 1991. He was instrumental in planning two reunions of his U.S. Army Toul-Nancy Dodgers Team in 1986 and 2001.

Following a stroke in 2020, Jim, was highly encouraged by friends and relatives to write a book about his "growing up" experiences and how much it meant to him to pursue his dreams of playing sports, as well as the meaningful relationships forged with his coaches, teammates, and golfing partners. He titled the book 'The Magic of the Team,' which continues to be a popular seller to this day. Jim gained great comfort from family and friends enjoying his book. He was a deeply religious man who found daily fulfillment and solace in his Catholic faith.

Jim is survived by his wife of 53 years, Deanna White-Hebert, two sons James "Garry" Hebert (Michele), of Whitefield, New Hampshire, Christopher "Chris" Francis Hebert of Weymouth and their mother Marcia Ganzel Roussos, grandsons Derek Hebert (Anne Marie), Tyler Hebert (Rayneia), Joseph Hebert,

Christopher Hebert, and James Hebert, great-grandchildren Dominic Hebert, Gianna Hebert, Rocco Hebert, and Naiya Hebert. He is also survived by sister-in-law Shirley White of Quincy, West Virginia, brother-in-law Michael "Mickey" Predojevic III Charatsanan (Lek) of Pembroke, is also survived by nephews Richard Mudge, David Candito, Kevin White, Jason White, Ian Guistino (Susan), Frank Guistino (Alicia), Michael Guistino (Nicole "Nicki"), Brian Predojevic, Christopher Predojevic, Steven Predojevic (Deborah), and Daniel Predojevic, nieces Janine Mudge-Mullen (David), Nina Gould ("Charlie"), Angeli ("Angel") Perron ("Ed") and Melissa Predojevic. Jim was predeceased by his parents, two sisters, Geraldine "Gerry" (Hebert) Candito, Mary "Jane" (Hebert) Mudge, three brother-in-laws Christopher "Chris" Candito, Joseph "Dodo" Mudge, and Larry White, sister-in-law Karen Sue (White) Guistino, and three nephews Robert "Rob/Bob" Mudge, Michael "Mickey" Predojevic IV and John Candito. He is also survived by many dear cousins and dear friends.

Jim was deeply loved by family and friends and always made a sincere effort to keep meaningfully connected. His greatest gifts were making people laugh, and being a compassionate friend. It gave him such joy! He will be greatly missed by all who loved him.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jim's memory to Friendship Home, P.O. Box 916, Norwell, MA 02061.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Funeral Mass on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 9 a.m., at Holy Family Catholic Church, 403 Union St., Rockland, MA 02370. Following the Mass all are invited to a Celebration of Life Luncheon at "Alba's on 53", 2053 Washington Street in Hanover, MA. Please note that a private graveside service will be held at a later date.

Exploring The Neponset River Library Program April 6

The Thomas Crane Public Library invites the public on Thursday, April 6, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the library's Community Meeting Room for Exploring the Neponset River with Andres Ripley from the Neponset River Watershed Association (NepRWA).

Ripley will present on the Neponset River and

NepRWA's efforts to protect it. What can we do to make it more safe and more accessible? Attendees will learn about some of the Association's challenges, ongoing projects, and upcoming volunteer opportunities.

For more information and more events visit the Library's online Events Calendar.

Patricia H. Ryan, 81

Patricia H. "Trisha" (Connell) Ryan, a longtime resident of Quincy, passed quietly and peacefully at home on Sunday, March 19, 2023 with her husband and daughter by her side. She was 81.

Trisha was born in Boston on March 10, 1942 and was the daughter of the late John D. and Helen M. (Mahoney) Connell.

Trisha was a gentle soul. She worked as a hairdresser for many years at Bab's Coiffures, and also as a bookkeeper for Kiddie Products. Once retired she stayed at home to take care of her family and the bookkeeping for her husband Skip's lobstering business. Trisha was also a longtime treasurer for the Boston Harbor Lobsterman Co-op.

Trisha enjoyed tending to her garden and watching the water and boats in Quincy Bay from the windows of



PATRICIA H. RYAN

her home. She had a love for all animals, and her family had many dogs and cats throughout the years. Trisha also took in strays of all kinds and species in need of help, which included fostering cats for the Quincy Animal Shelter.

Trisha was the beloved wife of Gale Y. "Skip" Ryan, and the devoted mother of Lori J. Ryan, both of Squantum. She was the dear sister of Richard T. Connell and his wife Joanne of Quincy, Robert J. Connell Sr. and

his wife Karen of Quincy, the late John D. Connell, the late Joan M. Clark, and the late Kathleen M. Chetywnd. Trisha is also survived by many loving, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Visiting hours were held Monday, March 27, 2023, in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy.

A Celebration of Life Service was held in the funeral home on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, prior to the Funeral Mass at Divine Mercy Parish in Sacred Heart Church, Quincy. Cremation followed. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Trisha's name to the Quincy Animal Shelter, PO Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269.

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School Committee, Teachers Reach Tentative Agreement

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The agreement would also boost longevity pay for teachers; provide prep time for school guidance counsellors, nurses and other staff; and put in place a new parental leave policy. Those are all areas in which the two parties' proposals, which were made public earlier in March, differed from one another.

Under the tentative agreement, effective Sept. 1, 2022, the longevity payment after 15 years of service will rise from \$400 to \$650, after 20 years of service from \$500 to \$1,000 and after 25 years of service from \$600 to \$1,200. The separate tier for longevity payments after 30 years of service, previously a \$750 payment, will be eliminated.

Effective Sept. 1, 2023, the longevity plan would be further restructured to add a new \$500 payment after 12 years of service. The longevity payments for 15, 20 and 25 years of service would increase to \$800, \$1,200 and \$1,500 respectively.

Following ratification of the contract, high school guidance staff will be provided with 135 minutes of preparation time each week, middle school guidance staff will be provided 120 minutes of prep time, and elementary guidance staff will be provided 90 minutes of prep time. Middle and high school nurses will have

150 minutes of prep time each week, and elementary school nurses 120 minutes.

Effective for the 2023-2024 school year, elementary school teachers will have their prep time increase from 690 minutes in a typical four-week period to 720. Related service providers - such as occupational, speech and physical therapists, among others - will be provided 150 minutes of prep time per week.

Effective for the 2024-2025 school year, middle school special education teachers who teach three or more academic classes will be provided with 120 minutes of additional preparation time each month.

Under the parental leave policy, educators would be able to take a leave of absence for up to 60 school days, starting at the time of their child's birth or adoption or at the start of the school year for a summer birth or adoption. The leave would be unpaid, but union members could use accrued sick leave in lieu of unpaid time. Sick leave accruals could not be used during the summer vacation period.

During the first three years of employment with the district and while they do not have professional teacher status, a member who exhausts their sick leave accrual may borrow up to ten days of sick leave in the first occurrence and five days of sick leave in

the second occurrence. The borrowed days would be deducted from future sick leave accruals.

The two parties had agreed on several items prior to entering mediation, and those are reflected in the memorandum of agreement. Those items include raising the uniform allowance for nurses from \$100 to \$250, raising the professional discretionary fund for each educator from \$400 to \$450, eliminating a provision that required educators over the age of 70 to get permission from the superintendent to continue working, and making Election Day a day for professional development.

The contract must still be ratified by both parties. The Quincy Education Association is set to vote on the agreement on April 3 and if it passes the School Committee could vote to approve it as soon as its next regularly scheduled meeting on April 5.

The previous contract between the school board and the teachers' union expired on Aug. 31, 2022. The sides had begun contract negotiations in June 2022 and on March 3 agreed to bring in a state-appointed mediator to help reach an accord. The first mediation session was held March 16, the second session took place on March 23 and the two parties returned the following day, March 24, for a third, previously unscheduled session.

In Loving Memory of
JOHN KEELEY
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To my dad in heaven,
thank you for always
loving me and guiding me.
Even though you are
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I can still feel your love
guiding me.
You are always in my
heart. I love you
and miss you dearly.
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Seven Boston Marathoners Run For The Angel Fund For ALS Research

Seven runners will participate in this year's 127th Boston Marathon in support of The Angel Fund for ALS Research, a 501 (c)(3) independent charity that benefits ALS research at UMass

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. NO23P0647EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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Estate of:
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Toosdhi M. Williams-Tucker of Burtonsville, MD requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Toosdhi M. Williams-Tucker of Burtonsville, MD be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 04/19/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 17, 2023
COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY
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3/30/23

Chan Medical School.

The seven marathoners include veteran runners Matt Bergin, running his 32nd consecutive Boston Marathon; Russell Becker, running his 11th consecutive Boston Marathon; Meghan King, running her 20th consecutive Boston Marathon; Mike Myers and Dawn Timlin, their second Boston Marathon, and Brooke Stewart and Mykayla Timlin who are both running their first Boston Marathon.

The Angel Fund team has been raising funds for ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) research at UMass Chan Medical School Day Lab under the direction of Dr. Robert H. Brown, Jr., a world-renowned researcher in the field of ALS.

"The Angel Fund is grateful to the seven supporters who are running for Team ALS in this year's Boston Marathon," Rich Kennedy, president of The Angel Fund for ALS Research and a longtime Boston Marathon runner said. "They all have

an inspirational story as to why they train and run the 26.2 miles in honor of The Angel Fund for ALS Research. We look forward to following them as they run the marathon and celebrating their efforts when they cross the finish line."

The team members have created a fundraising page which enables supporters to donate and to learn more about the runner and his/her inspiration behind their fundraising efforts. To donate to the runners and to read their stories, visit the fundraising page: <https://secure.frontstream.com/boston-marathon-2023>.

To follow the runners' progress during and after the Boston Marathon on April 17th, visit the Boston Athletic Association's webpage at www.baa.org.

In addition to the Boston Marathon team, The Angel Fund conducts fund raising events throughout the year which, along with other individual and corporate donations, have been beneficial in helping make significant strides in ALS research. For a list of upcoming events, visit The Angel Fund website, www.theangelfund.org. Donations to the Angel Fund can

also be made online at www.theangelfund.org, or can be sent to The Angel Fund, 649

Main Street, Wakefield, MA 01880.

Boston Marathon 2023

Meet Team ALS



Matt Bergin



Russell Becker



Meghan King



Mike Myers



Brooke Stewart



Dawn Timlin



Mykayla Timlin

The Angel Fund for ALS Research - www.theangelfund.org

Quincy College Again Earns Military Friendly Designation

Quincy College has once again been designated a Military Friendly institution and is one of just 250 U.S. schools to have earned the organization's "Gold" award status for the 2023-24 academic year in recognition of its leading practices, outcomes and programs.

The nationwide Military Friendly ratings program began in 2003 as an advocacy vehicle to encourage civilian organizations to invest in programs to recruit, retain, educate and advance veterans as employees, entrepreneurs and students. In earning its designation from



Military Friendly, Quincy College was assessed for its ability to meet thresholds for student retention, graduation, job placement, loan repayment, persistence (degree advancement or transfer) and loan default rates for all students and, specifically, for student veterans. More than 1,800 schools across the US participated in the current evaluation which includes both public data sources and responses from a proprietary survey.

"Military Friendly is committed to transparency and providing consistent data-driven standards in our designation process," said Kayla Lopez, the organization's National Director of Military Partnerships. "Schools which achieve awards designation show true commitment in their efforts, going over and above those standards which provide a benchmark to promote positive outcomes and support services that better the educational landscape and provide opportunity for the military community."

"We're proud to be recognized for our consistent, ongoing efforts in creating a welcoming, supportive environment for the military community," said Dr. Richard DeCristofaro, President of Quincy College. "From our Military and Veterans Services Office to our Welcome Center and Student Services teams to our academic leadership and faculty, everyone at the College demonstrates a deep commitment to providing our service members and veterans with the educational opportunities they deserve."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-23-22

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169, on the application of Josh Conroy for a Variance to construct a single story rear addition in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance Section 4.1.1 Conformance (Rear Setback) on the premises numbered 28 OCEAN AVENUE, QUINCY. Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/30/23, 4/6/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CASE NO. ZBA-23-25

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the **Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals** as amended, an **Open Public Hearing** will be held on **Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169, on the application of Susan Wilbur for a Variance to operate a Short-Term Rental in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance, Amendment 196-14 Sections D-Ineligible residential Units, F-Requirements for Short-Term Rentals (Other Requirements) & J-Room Occupancy Excise on the premises numbered 1 BABCOCK STREET, QUINCY. Plans and specifications may be viewed online at <https://quincyma.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1083/record-types/6468>.

Martin Aikens, Chairman

3/30/23, 4/6/23

PUBLIC HEARING

Sale of Quincy District Court

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 34 Section 14, the Norfolk County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, regarding the sale of the Quincy District Court a/k/a Francis X. Bellotti District Court to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at 4:00 P.M. in the Great Hall, Quincy City Hall 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169.

NORFOLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JOSEPH P. SHEA
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3/23/23, 3/30/23

LEGAL NOTICE

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. NO23P0443EA
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Norfolk Division
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
Estate of:

Olive Mary Shattuck
Also Known As:
Olive H. Shattuck
Date of Death:
December 9, 2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of:

Petitioner Gayle M. Shattuck of Lexington, MA.
A Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Gayle M. Shattuck of Lexington, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

3/30/23

LEGAL NOTICE

DOMESTIC RELATIONS SUMMONS

Docket No. SU23W0281WD
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

Vanessa Nguyen vs.
Khanh Tran

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300

To the above named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Vanessa Nguyen
59 Linden Street
Boston, MA 02122
a copy of your answer to the complaint for the establishment of paternity filed on 02/17/2023 which is herewith served upon you, within 20 days after service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file your answer to the complaint in the office of the Register of this Court at the above named court either before service upon plaintiff or plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: March 16, 2023
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Register of Probate

3/30/23

Movie Review: 'Shazam! Fury Of The Gods'

By BOB GARVER

Whether because of the pandemic, the constant comings-and-goings of the DC Extended Universe, or the first movie from 2019 simply not being that memorable, "Shazam!" seems to have gotten lost in the shuffle. I'm going to be pointing out a number of similarities between this character and Ant-Man from the rival Marvel Cinematic Universe, but a key difference is that fans noticed that Ant-Man was absent from "Avengers: Infinity War" in 2018. They wanted to know where he was and how he was going to tie into the larger story. Has any DCEU fan seen any of the franchise's output since 2019 and thought, "I wonder where Shazam is in all this?"

Sure, the new movie won the March 17-21 weekend box office because of its genre, affiliations, and advertising, but did people go to see it because they actually care about it? Or did they

feel that it's their job to see new tentpole releases, no matter how little they care? I went because I had a "job" of sorts to see it for this column – and sitting through this by-the-numbers superhero dreck turned out to be a "job" unto itself.

A quick recap: teenager Billy Batson (Asher Angel) has been imbued with superpowers by the wizard also named Shazam (Djimon Hounsou). All he has to do is say magic word "Shazam!" and he turns into an adult (Zachary Levi) with powers including super speed and strength. Following the first movie, all the other kids in his foster family are similarly-powered: Freddy (Jack Dylan Grazer/Adam Brody), Eugene (Ross Butler/Ian Chen), Pedro (Jovan Armond/DJ. Cotrona), Darla (Faithe Herman/Meagan Good), and Mary (Grace Caroline Currey in both forms, as the character is now an adult). All the character development the oth-

ers get is that Mary passed up an opportunity to go to college. Pedro is... pretending to like baseball (handled very clumsily), and smart-aleck Freddy has a girlfriend (Rachel Zegler, making me think that the promise she showed in the "West Side Story" remake was a fluke).

The family is up against the Daughters of Atlas: Hespera (Helen Mirren), Kalypso (Lucy Liu), and a third member whose identity is secret, but I thought was fairly easy to guess. The Daughters want the staff that gives Shazam and company their powers, though they're divided on what to do with the staff once they get it. Hespera wants to fix their own world and leave Earth alone, while Kalypso wants to devastate Earth like their own world has been devastated. Seems like an issue they should have hammered out in the past few centuries, but they choose to squabble in the moment.

Much of the film's ap-

peal lies in its humor. All the main characters are essentially children, so there's supposedly a playful childishness to the proceedings. Zachary Levi has all the effortless charm of a Paul Rudd, so the idea is that the movie has a fun, bouncy tone with a few moments of serious coolness. Instead what we get is an overload of unfunny jokes about the characters' awkwardness, a style of humor that has sunk the last several MCU movies. I laughed at Mirren reading an un-proofread letter, but that was about it. And the action and serious scenes certainly can't carry the movie, not even with the deus ex machina (with "deus" taken literally) at the end.

"Shazam! Fury of the Gods" is yet another blah superhero movie in an era where it seems like all we get is blah superhero movies. I don't see it bringing in many new fans to the DCEU, nor do I even see



fans of the original liking it very much. Like "Ant-Man and the Wasp: Quantumania," its destiny is to do well for a weekend or two and then be discarded, because people aren't going to look back on it with fond memories. Too bad the filmmakers

can't "Shazam!" themselves into funnier people.

Grade: C-

"Shazam: Fury of the Gods" is rated PG-13 for sequences of action and violence, and language. Its running time is 130 minutes.

Quincy Pride To Award Four \$500 Scholarships; Applications Due May 12

Quincy Pride will award four graduating seniors – two from each high school – that exemplify its values with \$500 scholarships toward their higher education and/or future endeavors.

"Students who identify as LGBTQIA+ or are allies, or who work towards

making Quincy and the South Shore a more inclusive community are encouraged to apply," said attorney Richard Ash, president of Quincy Pride. Last year was the group's first year giving out scholarships.

Email 500-word statements demonstrating why

you think you are the best candidate deserving of one of Quincy Pride's high school scholarships. Statements are to include LG-BTQIA+ efforts performed toward promoting equality through activism in the community. Students should also highlight any efforts

planned to further contribute to this type of work within their respective higher education paths.

Applications are to be emailed to scholarships@quincypride.com by May 12.

Students must have a

B average and should be available on June 4, to be acknowledged during Quincy Pride Day 2023.

Mite Box Thrift Shop Open Saturday

Mite Box Thrift Shop at The Parish of St. Chrysostom, 1 Linden St., Quincy, is

open Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The shop is also open

Wednesday and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Staff:

Roger Kvam– 2020 GA Coach of the Year, Former Coach at Cherokee HS, Quincy High School Basketball Hall of Fame

Jim Quatromoni– Hingham Athletic Director, Athletic Director of the Year 2022

Mike Larnie– Special Education Teacher, Quincy High School Basketball Hall of Fame

Christina Deorio– Former Assistant Coach North Quincy HS player and current teacher in Quincy

Julie Bloomer– Current Teacher in Quincy

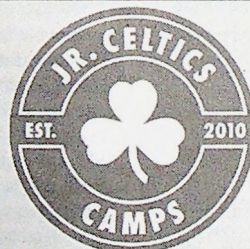
Eric Mackinnon– Canton HS Boys Coach

Tom Cavanaugh– Mt. Alvernia Girls Coach and Dean of Students at Blue Hills

Ed Callahan– Former Assistant Principal and HS Basketball coach, Quincy High School Basketball Hall of Fame

Joe Amoroso– Former Quincy High School Basketball Coach, MA Hall of Fame Coach, General Manager

Amy Quinn– Former Girls Norwood HS Basketball Coach, State Runner Up 2022, Math Teacher at Norwood High School



Quincy High School

June 26th-30th, 8:30-3PM

July 10th-14th, 8:30-3PM

Southwest Middle School

July 17th-21st, 8:30-3PM

July 24th-28th, 8:30-3PM

Ages:

Quincy HS– July 26-30– Ages 9-12

Quincy HS– July 10-14– Ages 11-13

Southwest MS– July 17-21– Ages 9-12

Southwest MS– July 24-28– Ages 11-13

Questions???

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joeamo@bellsouth.net or 508-404-5053

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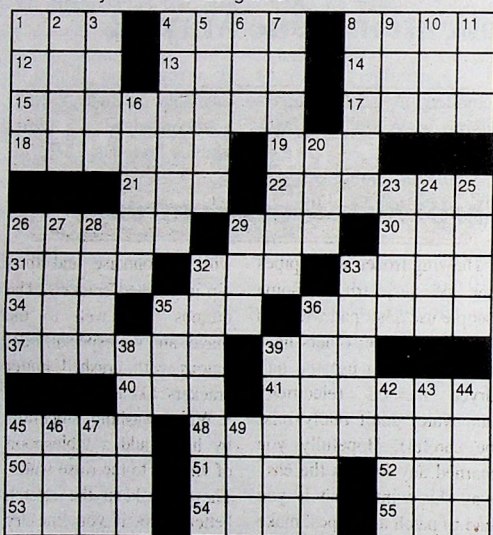


SUN FUN PAGES

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pot brew
4 Rosary component
8 Tempo
12 Rowing need
13 Scarce
14 "Damn Yankees" vamp
15 Polish composer Chopin
17 Squad
18 Oust from office
19 Not 'neath
21 Show to a seat, slangily
22 Established rule
26 Kick out
29 Cat's coat
30 Ms. Longoria
31 Chaste
32 River blocker
33 Till bills
34 Wyo. neighbor
35 Corral write-up
36 Sanctify
- 37 — acid
39 Luau bowlful
40 Khan title
41 Blacksmiths' blocks
45 Indolent
48 Curry powder spice
50 Dayton's state
51 "Do — others ..."
52 "I love," to Livy
53 Autograph
54 Take five
55 Bottom line
- 10 "The Greatest"
11 Make lace
16 Wimbledon tie
20 Where Lux. is
23 Actress Russo
24 Currier's partner
25 Mama — Elliot
26 Monumental
27 Dame Dench
28 Part of Q.E.D.
29 Summer cooler
32 Illinois city
33 Martini garnish
35 Glutton
36 Witticism
38 Synthetic fabric
39 Seg-ments
42 Persia, today
43 Rickey flavor
44 Kilt wearer
45 Part of UCLA
46 Sashimi fish
47 Sharp turn
49 French article
- ### DOWN
- 1 Bean curd
2 Deserve
3 God of war
4 Chicken serving
5 Third rock from the sun
6 "Exodus" hero
7 Propriety
8 Book jacket
9 Long time



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MAGIC MAZE • ZERO

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: THE — POINT OF WATER C

Cipher Naught No value Null
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Love No growth North Zip
Nada No score Nothing

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Necktie is lower. 2. Rag is missing. 3. Arm and mop are moved. 4. Cabinet is moved. 5. Number 6. Skibboard is missing.

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. states share a border with Mexico?
2. MOVIES: Which movie was the first sports film to win the Best Picture award?
3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many former first ladies are still living?
4. TELEVISION: What is the name of Bart's teacher on "The Simpsons"?
5. LANGUAGE: What does the Japanese phrase "domo arigato" mean in English?
6. CHEMISTRY: What is the lightest element?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Who is Marie La-veau of New Orleans?

8. AD SLOGANS: Which product was advertised with the slogan, "Great taste, less filling"?

9. U.S. CITIES: In which city would you find Thomas Jefferson's Monticello?

10. LITERATURE: Who wrote the autobiography "Dreams From My Father"?

Answers

1. Four: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.
2. "Rocky" (1976).
3. Five: Rosalynn Carter, Hillary Clinton, Laura Bush, Michelle Obama and Melania Trump.
4. Edna Krabappel.
5. Thank you.
6. Hydrogen.
7. Famous voodoo queen.
8. Miller Lite beer.
9. Charlottesville, Virginia.
10. Barack Obama.

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H T S E N R E E L E P D D

HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures c ou

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Someone you relied on might resist your request for help. Get the facts behind their decision before jumping to conclusions. You might be in for a surprise.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time for the winter-weary Bovine to start plans for spring redecorating. Indulge in something super beautiful for your home. You deserve it.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) An inner conflict might keep you from taking the first step toward healing an old wound. Seek the advice of a trusted friend for help in dealing with your uncertainty.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Change can bring confusion. You need to take a strong stand to make sure your rights are respected despite all the fuss and fury going on around you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your financial situation continues to improve, although you still need to watch those expenses. Something from the past could affect a current situation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Problems adjusting to a new job and unfamiliar surroundings might tempt you to give up. But hang in there — things get better in time.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Decision time is near. Talk out your doubts with trusted advisers. If your

misgivings still outweigh your enthusiasm, it's best to rethink the whole deal.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A situation has you puzzled. Be patient. The answers you seek will soon come from a source very close to the person at the center of your curiosity.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your usually active social life is in super-high gear through this week. Your hectic party-going pace eases into a period of quiet time by the week-end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You need to start narrowing down those several new options that have come your way to just the two or three you really want to pursue.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a wise Water Bearer who nurtures a fading friendship back to vibrant health. At work, a once-shelved idea is suddenly being reconsidered.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel swamped by a flood of work-related obligations, but the support of a trusted associate helps you get through each one successfully.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are a caring person who often puts your own needs aside to help others. You have a gift for cultivating beautiful gardens.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: X equals M

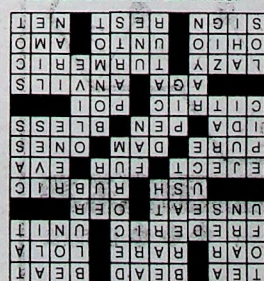
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King Crossword

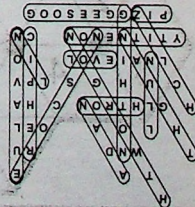
Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.



Magic Maze

ANSWERS:



CryptoQuip

answer

She's Albany with me!
secretary of state
When Madeleine became
I thought it was wonderful

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — Brad Pitt has a new love. His first public appearance with his new lady, Ines de Ramon, was in Paris at the Cesar Awards (the French Oscars) in late February. De Ramon is a fitness and health coach employed by celebs to help build nutrition plans, establish a fitness routine and maintain a healthier lifestyle. Insiders say they've been dating for some time and that Pitt hid their love affair behind the guise of being one of her clients. De Ramon is currently in the middle of divorcing "Vampire Diaries" star Paul Wesley. Pitt is currently shooting the AppleTV+ film "Wolves" with George Clooney (both are also producers) in New York. De Ramon, a New Jersey native, is 32, while Pitt's 59.

Let's take a last look at the Oscars: Halle Berry agreed to present the Best Actor award, taking the place of last year's Best Actor, Will Smith, who is currently banned from the Academy for 10 years. He joined Richard Gere, who in 1993 received a 20-year ban for injecting a political cause into his presenting time; though, he was welcomed back 10 years later, when he was nominated for "Chicago," which won Best Picture. Add "Me Too" movement losers Bill Cosby and Roman Polanski to the list, both getting banned in 2018, as well as Harvey Weinstein (who'll be in jail so long he can't attend anyway). Has diversity gone too far at the Academy? Did they go overboard compensating for their lack of diversity in the past? Of 34 presenters, 19 were women, and 15 were men. They com-

pensated for not nominating female directors by having three pairs of actresses presenting and only two pairs of men. There were six Black actors, five Hispanic actors, one Asian actor but only four Caucasian actors. So, where were the superstars of yesterday? The only superstars present were Dwayne Johnson, John Travolta and Harrison Ford.

Among big names missing from the in memoriam segment were two-time Best Supporting Actress nominee Melinda Dillon (for "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" and "Absence of Malice"); Stella Stevens ("The Nutty Professor"); Henry Silva ("Ocean's 11"); Cindy Williams ("American Graffiti"); Anne Heche, star of Gus Van Sant's 1998 "Psycho" remake; Leslie Jordan ("The Help"); Tom Sizemore ("Saving Private Ryan"); Paul Sorvino ("Goodfellas"); David Warner ("Mary Poppins Returns"); Philip Baker Hall ("Boogie Nights"); Robert Blake ("In Cold Blood") and Chaim Topol ("Fiddler on the Roof").

Allegedly, Tom Cruise didn't appear to avoid his ex-wife Nicole Kidman, but I'm sure he would have miraculously appeared as producer of "Top Gun: Maverick" had it won Best Picture.

Guillermo del Toro, hot off his Best Animated Feature win for "Pinocchio" at the Oscars, is taking on a remake of "Frankenstein," which will star Andrew Garfield, Oscar Isaac and Mia Goth. Since there have already been 70 films made about Frankenstein, frankly, do we give a damn?

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GO FIGURE!

by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

DIFFICULTY: ***
★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
*** GO FIGURE!

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KOVELS' Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Chinese Porcelain — The Hundred Treasures theme was popular in Chinese art during the Qing dynasty (1644-1911). Many objects of daily life that impart symbolic meaning were incorporated into artwork. A single vase can be a symbol of female fertility, yet this red Chinese porcelain has several small relief vases on its surface to suggest even more meaning.

Flowers are not only painted to decorate the small raised vases, but are also painted on the red ground to look like they are floral arrangements in the raised vases. Flowers are eternal symbols of beauty, and the brilliant red color of the vase has many associations to China.

The country's flag is red, which is associated not only with power, but with luck, happiness and celebrations. Traditional Chinese brides wear red for luck, and the Lunar New Year is celebrated with red lanterns and many other red decorations. The blue seal mark on the bottom of the base is like those on Qing dynasty porcelain.

Q: I'd like to know the value of a set of two deck chairs (possibly teak) from the SS Oceanic. They have their original blue cushions with "Home Lines" and a logo in gold. What do you think they are worth?

A: Home Lines was an Italian company that operated cruise ships and ocean liners. The company was in business from 1946 to 1988, when it merged with Holland America Line. SS Oceanic was one of Home Lines' cruise ships from 1965 to 1985, when it was sold to Premier Cruise

Line. Most deck chairs don't sell for high prices. Chairs by important makers or those with a connection to an important or historic event do sell for high prices. A deck chair from the Titanic, one of seven known and with a letter of authenticity, sold for almost \$150,000 in 2015. The value of your deck chairs depends on condition and the history of the boat. They sell for \$100 to \$1,000.

TIP: Some experts say you should restring pearls and other valuable beads every other year. Sooner or later, the stringing will break if the pearls are worn a lot.

CURRENT PRICES

• Jewelry, pin, porcelain, painted, courting scene, man playing guitar, seated woman with flower basket, multi-color, Limoges, France, 1 3/4 inches, \$24.

• Toy, Star Trek model kit, Galileo II Shuttlecraft, The Original Series, 25th Anniversary, box, 1990s, 9 x 10 inches, \$50.

• Cut glass goblet, Tramore pattern, faceted stem, star cut foot, Waterford, 7 inches, eight pieces, \$300.

• Vase, Della Robbia, double gourd shape, wide blue bands, puffs around lower body, decorator's initials, Rozane, Frederick Hurten Rhead, c. 1906, 8 1/2 x 4 1/2 inches, \$4,375.

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Strange BUT TRUE

• There is an art form called Assquatch that consists of faces made from deer posteriors.

• Renaissance genius Leonardo da Vinci designed plans for a "mechanized knight," a robot-like creation that relied on a pulley system. When the plans were discovered nearly five centuries later and built according to his specifications, the design worked perfectly.

• In 2012, a Manchester, U.K., couple jokingly invited Queen Elizabeth to their wedding. Her Royal Highness not only showed up, but brought Prince Philip.

• Speedy Gonzales was banned by the Cartoon Network for being an offensive stereotype, only to be returned after mass protest by the Hispanic-American community.

• The lowest sounding instrument in an orchestra is the contrabassoon. Only a few soloists in the world play it.

• After winning an Oscar, Daniel Day-Lewis retired to become a cobbler in Italy.

Fortunately for the theatrical world, he returned to acting after Martin Scorsese convinced him to star in "Gangs of New York."

• The first Troll doll was created by a Danish fisherman who could not afford a Christmas gift for his daughter. While it wouldn't have won any beauty contests, when other children saw it they wanted one as well.

• IKEA recalled its chocolate bars because they didn't come with an allergy warning.

• In 1877, a monkey named Jimmy was charged with assault after biting the finger of one Mary Shea. When a judge said he couldn't legally commit a monkey, Jimmy respectfully removed his velvet hat, climbed on the judge's desk, and attempted to shake his hand.

• There's a website that tells you the best time to use the restroom during a movie in a theater so you don't miss anything important.

Thought for the Day: "A man is not old until regrets take the place of dreams." — John Barrymore

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Now here's a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• Thawing frozen water pipes can be very tricky. Some people use a hot pad wrapped around the pipe; others have been known to use the hair dryer method (electricity and water don't really mix; be careful). Hopefully you learned any lessons the easy way this winter, but if you had to patch any pipes, make sure you get them repaired asap. Sometimes people forget as soon as the weather turns nice. — A plumber in Illinois

• When drilling holes in the wall, you can tape an envelope, open side out, to the wall just under where you will be drilling. Open the envelope up a bit so that any dust will fall directly down into the open envelope. It will keep your working area nice and neat!

• To make a special quilted keepsake, sew together baby's receiving blankets.

• Want a delicious coating for chicken? Try basting

with mayonnaise and then dip in crushed crackers. The crumbs stick well to the mayo, and it's especially delicious with crushed butter crackers, like Ritz.

• When washing stockings by hand, add a tablespoon of vinegar to the rinse water. They will keep the stretch better. Also, if you line-dry them outdoors, slip a spoon or a few coins into the toe. This will keep them from twisting up in the wind.

• If you, like me, are washing your winter sweaters to pack away, add a bit of hair conditioner to the rinse. Also, don't try to pull them into shape when drying. Just lay flat to dry. If you have a screen, you can set it up so that the sweater dries from both sides. This is best. — D.Y. in Kentucky

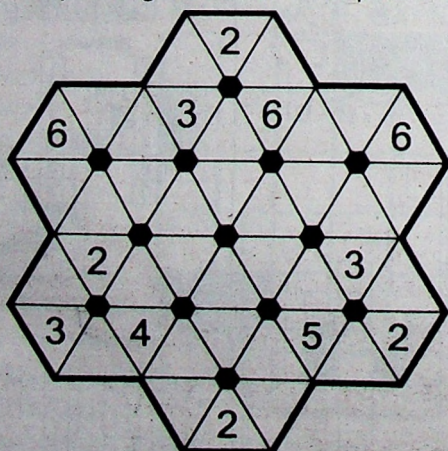
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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STICKELERS

by Terry Stickels

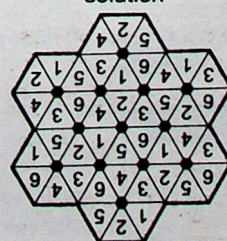
What is the next number in the sequence below?

4
5
8
17
44
125
?

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SNOWFLAKES

solution



Go Figure! answers

6	18	11
3	9	1
12	3	12
	x	x
	x	x
	6	9
	4	12
-	-	+
9	7	2

Sticklers Answer

The differences between each number are factors of 3: 1, 3, 9, 27, 81, 243. The next number is 368.

Super Crossword

THEATER FOOD

ACROSS

- 1 Sponsored part of a magazine
 7 Probability
 11 To be, in Toulouse
 15 "Elizabeth" star Blanchett
 19 Ripped into
 20 Buccaneer's topper
 22 Major Norse god
 23 1940 drama based on a Steinbeck novel
 25 Tri-pled
 26 Possible reply to "Are you?"
 27 Become indistinct
 28 Architect I.M. —
 29 Five doubled
 30 Endemic to
 31 Bed for Baby
 33 Pas' partners
 35 2006 Jack Black comedy
 38 1999 Jason Biggs comedy
 43 Psi precursor
 44 1950s Ford
 45 Hoped-for altar reply
 46 Live wire
 48 Airborne toy

- 50 Andrew Carnegie's corp.
 54 1970 Godfrey Cambridge comedy
 59 Discoloration
 60 Computer since 1998
 62 Cellular stuff
 63 Pipe mouth
 64 Fly apart
 65 Jazz singer Jones
 67 Health resort
 69 Unprocessed film based on a Stephen King story
 76 Start-up loan org.
 78 Cheyenne's state: Abbr.
 79 French painter Dufy
 80 Grace under pressure
 83 Attempts something
 86 Big ball of energy
 89 Bawled
 90 Observers
 91 1987 film about a Vietnam War battle
 94 Fruity wine drink
 96 Alan who played Pierce

- 97 Muscles worked by doing squats
 99 Give a massage to
 100 Kinda
 103 Falsehood
 105 1988 coming-of-age film co-starring Julia Roberts
 110 1947 romantic comedy co-starring Claudette Colbert
 113 1999 fig.
 114 "Va-va-va!"
 115 Dual radio designation
 116 Siouan tribe member
 117 Gymnastics floor covering
 120 "I wonder..."
 123 Manhattan sch.
 124 New Haven school
 125 2008 Seth Rogen comedy
 129 "Son of —!"
 130 Expert at increasing profits
 131 Fisher who played Leia
 132 Schoolbook
 133 Not fooled by
 134 Descartes of philosophy

- 135 New York college near Hyde Park
 47 Dr.'s field
 49 — artery (aorta offshoot)
 50 Kind of port for a PC
 51 Poker great Ungar
 52 Mocking
 53 "Lucky" pilot
 55 Eclectic fusion
 56 "Grand" liqueur brand
 57 Alias lead-in
 58 Novel
 61 Gloom-filled
 66 Opposite of vertical: Abbr.
 68 Animal skins
 71 2004-09 Showtime drama, with "The" Towers" (telly sitcom)
 73 Like sandals
 74 Reveal one's inner self
 75 Mnemonic for rainbow colors
 76 "Be quiet!"
 77 Lamb's cry
 81 — Lanka
 82 That, to Alejandra
 84 Reduction
 85 Soviet prison camp
 87 Impelled

- 88 Puck-pushers' org.
 92 Addressee of a New Testament Epistle
 93 Element name ending
 95 Ellipse part
 98 Declaration upon delivery of an item
 100 Occupy, as a hotel
 101 Electric resistance
 102 Acid — (cause of heartburn)
 104 Part of the plan
 106 "By the power vested in —"
 107 Ones
 108 Common lawn grass
 109 One making others laugh
 111 Decide to play for pay
 112 Mosque chief
 118 On — with
 119 Toll hwy.
 121 Roman 1,095
 122 Org. rating films
 126 Brian of rock
 127 Actor Carliou
 128 Train lines: Abbr.

- DOWN
 1 Upstate New York prison
 2 Be injurious
 3 Early baby
 4 "Life of Pi" director Lee
 5 Attire
 6 List abbr.
 7 Divisor, e.g.
 8 Trash-talk
 9 Fall
 10 Not injurious
 11 Eternally, in verse
 12 Roofing straw
 13 Fed's interest increase, e.g.
 14 Botany or history lead-in
 15 Self-assured
 16 Cute, in slang
 17 Stannite, say
 18 Glossy finish
 21 Bed size
 24 Cougar
 32 Part of BBC programs
 34 Invasive PC
 36 Squirrel nosh
 37 Divulge
 39 — Kit (face reconstructor)
 40 Former miller Sebastian
 41 How soda is often sold
 42 Devour

celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

Q: I want to see the new film "Jesus Revolution," but I don't like going to movie theaters. Can I watch it at home on my TV? — H.W.

A: "Jesus Revolution" is the term Time magazine called an evangelical Christian revival that began on the West Coast in the 1960s and 1970s. The movie of the same name is based on that published article as well as on a real pastor, who is played by Kelsey Grammer ("Frasier") in the film.

Jonathan Roumie co-stars in "Jesus Revolution" as Lonnie Frisbee, a charismatic street preacher who resembles Jesus. The actor started out doing guest roles in primetime shows like "Chicago Med" and "NCIS: Los Angeles," but he seems to have found his calling of starring in faith-based projects in recent years. He's played Jesus in three seasons of Angel Studios' "The Chosen," which can be streamed on Peacock.

At the time of this writing, "Jesus Revolution" is only available in theaters, where it's been quite successful, generating more than \$45 million. It will eventually be available for rent and/or purchase on the Vudu/Fandango streaming app (and perhaps someday a streaming platform like Prime Video and one of the network or cable

channels). However, if you don't want to take a chance on missing it, I'd venture out to your local theater soon.

Q: What is Kiefer Sutherland's new show about? It looks like he's playing Jack Bauer again. — L.J.

A: While actor Kiefer Sutherland is best known for playing Jack Bauer on the hit Fox action series "24," his new show "Rabbit Hole" is a completely different project and character for him altogether. It definitely caters to Kiefer's fan base, though, but instead of playing a federal agent fighting terrorism, he's a private espionage agent framed for murder.

"Rabbit Hole" comes from the creative minds of Emmy-winning producers John Requa and Glenn Ficarra ("This Is Us"), and the show co-stars Charles Dance ("The Crown") and Rob Yang ("Succession"). The first season consists of only eight episodes, and the first two will premiere on March 26. It's available exclusively on the Paramount+ streaming service. Sutherland had another successful series after "24" called "Designated Survivor," where he becomes president of the free world after everyone above him in rank is killed in a catastrophic attack. It aired for two seasons on ABC before airing the third season on Netflix. He also recently played President Franklin D. Roosevelt in the Showtime original series "The First Lady." Now, whether we'll see him in a silly comedy anytime soon remains to be seen.



Jonathan Roumie
("Jesus Revolution")

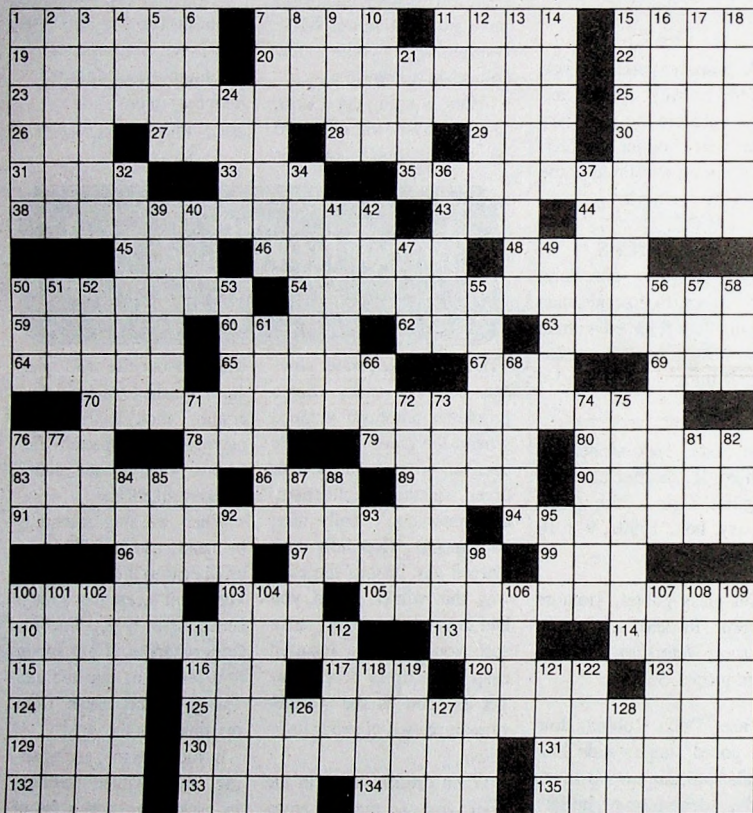
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Q: What happened to the period piece drama "Sanditon"? Wasn't it on Netflix? I tried to find it, and it's gone. — A.K.

A: "Sanditon" recently had its third and final season premiere on PBS. The series is set during England's Regency era, in the early 1800s at a seaside resort called Sanditon. It's based on the unfinished novel by Jane Austen and stars Rose Williams. Andrew Davies, the Emmy and BAFTA award-winning screenwriter who has adapted classics like "Pride & Prejudice" and "Sense & Sensibility," has done a wonderful job carrying out Austen's original vision.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWs, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

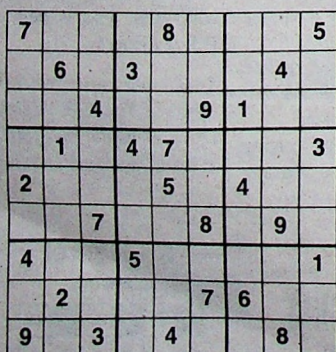
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

- | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| 1. Portuguese capital | — B — | Boxer Sonny | — T — |
| 2. Belt location | — A — | Watch location | — R — |
| 3. Flag | B — | In a — of speaking | M — |
| 4. Measure of salt | — N — | Toss a baseball | — T — |
| 5. Coastline | — E — | Not very tall | — T — |
| 6. Palace | — S — | Longhorn or angus | — T — |
| 7. Zesty | — Y — | So. American dance | — O — |
| 8. Wanted sign | — S — | Wizard Harry | — T — |
| 9. — DeGeneres | E — | Burn's better half | A — |
| 10. Agile | — I — | Wood | — U — |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

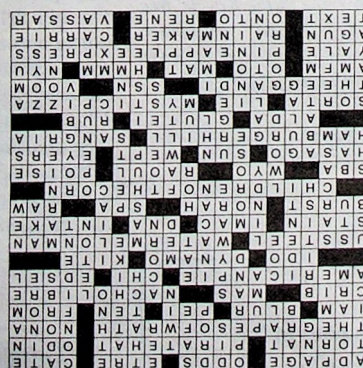
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Super Crossword

Answers



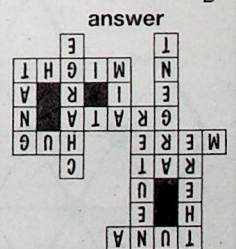
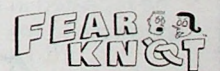
Even Exchange answers

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Lisbon, Lisbon | 5. Shore, Short |
| 2. Waist, What | 6. Banner, Manner |
| 3. Tangy, Tango | 7. Pinch, Pitch |
| 4. Castle, Cattle | 8. Ellen, Allen |
| 9. Potter, Potter | 10. Limber, Lumber |



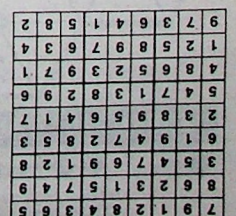
- GHU
 ♥ EETRUM
 GHTMI
 ERME
 ♥ TREGNA
 ♥ ATR
 ♥ AGTN
 ♥ HEERT
 IMA
 GACHER
 TAGAR
 ♥ NATU

Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHER becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.



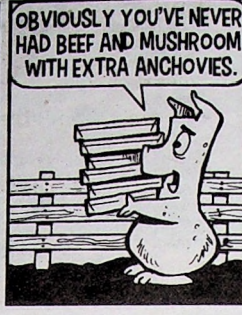
Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



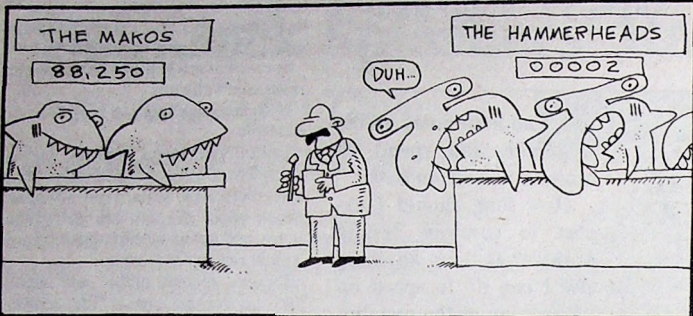
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Amber Waves

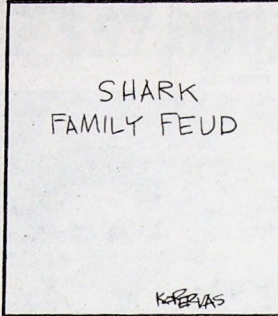


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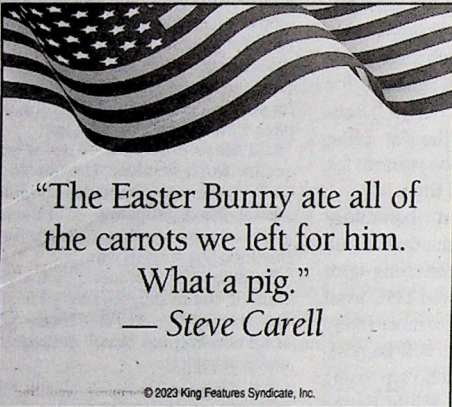
Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas

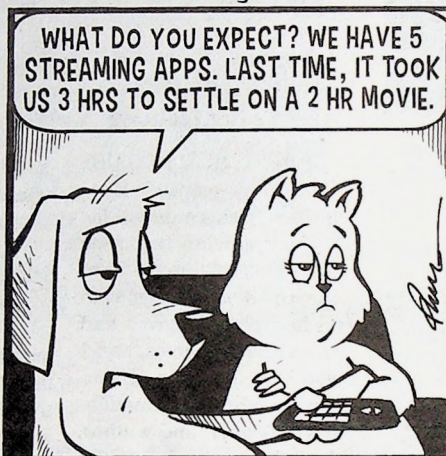


Americanisms



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Bet
AGREW

Nearly
MALT SO

Rebuff
BUNS

Rescind
TRANCE

TODAY'S WORD



Dog's Driveway Poop Is a Bone of Contention for Neighbors

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My next-door neighbor shares a driveway with me. We get along fine, organizing our cars so no one is blocked in. However, every morning she walks her dog up the side of the driveway and doesn't pick up after it. I've asked her to do so, but she said that since it's her side of the driveway she has the right to let him poop there. What can I do to solve this? — *Stunk Out in Bradenton, Florida*

DEAR STUNK: Neighbor disputes over dog droppings are always a bit nerve-racking, especially when the offending neighbor asserts their right to leave a mess. Check your neighborhood homeowners association rules to see if this issue is addressed.

If you don't live in an area with an HOA, check out your city or county's website to find out if there are any restrictions for this sort of behavior, and if it's possible to file a complaint. Even though your neighbor is keeping the dog on her side of the driveway, it's shared property. Further, dog poop left lying around, even on the edge of the driveway, is a health hazard. Not to mention how ick it is for anyone who parks on that side and accidentally steps out onto one of those "gifts." No matter what, don't lose your cool. Stay civil toward your neighbor. Keep asking her to pick up after the dog, and note down the date and time of each interaction and each time poop is left behind. Take pictures with your phone as well. If the issue can't be resolved by politely asking, you'll need to file a complaint with the HOA or your municipality, and may have to provide evidence (notes and pictures, not the actual poo) to back up your complaint.

Readers, have you dealt with this problem? Tell us about it at ask@pawscorner.com.

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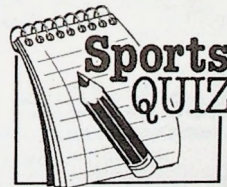
WORD LADDERS

Can you go from STYLE to SPARE in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

STYLE

SPARE

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by Ryan A. Berenz

1. What golfer, known as "The Silver Scot," won three major championships during the late 1920s and early 1930s?
2. Name the Norwegian runner who won the New York City Marathon women's division nine times from 1978-88.
3. Hank Bauer of the New York Yankees holds the longest hitting streak in the World Series (1956-58) with how many games?
4. What NASCAR driver's 105 career wins in the sport's top division ranks second all-time to Richard Petty's 200?
5. In 2021, what famous winter Olympian from Great Britain competed on the U.K. version of TV series "The Masked Dancer" costumed as a rubber chicken?
6. What professional soccer league operated from 1968-84 and included teams such as the New York Cosmos, the Los Angeles Aztecs, the Toronto Blizzard and the Washington Diplomats?
7. Cibona, Zadar, Split and Cedevita are professional basketball clubs competing in what country?

Answers

1. Tommy Armour.
2. Grete Waitz.
3. 17.
4. David Pearson.
5. Michael "Eddie the Eagle" Edwards.
6. North American Soccer League (NASL).
7. Croatia.

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WORD LADDER

Answer

STATE, SPARE, STAGE, STALE, STAGE

SCRAMBLERS

solution

ARGUMENTS
Today's Word

1. Wager
2. Almost
3. Snub
4. Recant

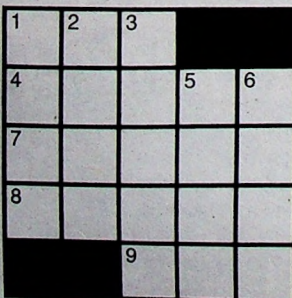
Micro Crossword By Elizabeth C. Gorski

Across

- 1 "Have some lasagna!"
- 4 English fellow
- 7 Light _____ (diaphanous)
- 8 Egg centers
- 9 Falsehood

Down

- 1 Online shopping site
- 2 "Another thing ..."
- 3 "And _____ a good night!"
- 5 "Coming 2 America" actress Layne
- 6 Gaelic language



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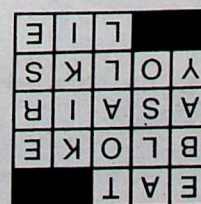


Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of April 3, 2023

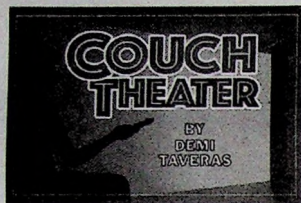
- ON NOW:** "Lucky Hank" (Season 1) — *AMC+*
ON NOW: "Tetris" (R) — *AppleTV+*
- 3-April:** "Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields" (Documentary) — *Hulu*
5-April: "Schmigadoon!" (Season 2) — *AppleTV+*
6-April: "Beef" (Season 1) — *Netflix*
6-April: "DAVE" (Season 3) — *Hulu*
- 7-April:** "Transatlantic" (Season 1) — *Netflix*
7-April: "On a Wing and a Prayer" (PG) — *Amazon Prime Video*
7-April: "Tiny Beautiful Things" (Limited Series) — *Hulu*
7-April: "Boom! Boom! The World vs. Boris Becker" (Documentary) — *AppleTV+*

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Micro Crossword Answer



MORE SUN FUN

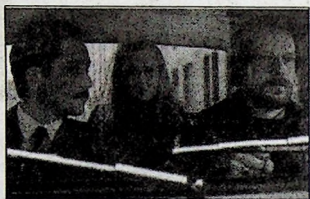


"Murder Mystery 2" (PG-13) — Even though the first "Murder Mystery" doesn't exactly hook you into the most satisfying whodunnit, it was still an amusing watch nonetheless and prompted Netflix to return with a sequel. Adam Sandler and Jennifer Aniston reprise their roles as married couple Nick and Audrey Spitz, who are invited to the wedding of Maharajah Vikram — a suspect in the previous murder mystery that took place in the first film. But, at the wedding, the Maharajah gets kidnapped, so the Spitzes, as the most unqualified detectives, naturally see this as a prime opportunity to solve yet another case. Premieres March 31. (Netflix)

"The Estate" (R) — Macey (Toni Collette) and Savannah (Anna Farris) are owners of a sinking business. When they receive news from their mother that their wealthy Aunt Hilda has terminal cancer, the desperate sisters hatch a plan to visit Hilda and see if they can squeeze themselves into her will before she passes. Upon their arrival, Macey and Savannah realize that their two-faced cousin Beatrice (Rosemarie DeWitt) is already staying with Hilda; their other cousin, Richard (David Duchovny), arrives shortly after them. With all the family gathered around for the same reason, who will get to walk away with the money from Hilda's estate? Kathleen Turner stars as none other than Aunt Hilda in this black comedy out now. (Hulu)

"Tetris" (R) — Who knew the

journey behind bringing the puzzle game Tetris to players across the world would be so tumultuous? Taron Egerton ("Rocketman") stars as businessman Henk Rogers, who attempts to secure the rights of Tetris and get it packaged with the new Game Boy console. Henk must travel from the U.S. to the Soviet Union, during a time when tensions are still high between both countries, to meet with the Russian developer of Tetris. What should have been simple negotiations for a game turns into a dangerous, high-stake battle for all involved. Premieres March 31. (AppleTV+)



Courtesy of AppleTV+
From left, Taron Egerton, Sofia Lebedeva and Nikita Efremov star in "Tetris."

"The Power" (TV-16+) — Based on the bestselling novel of the same name by Naomi Alderman, this upcoming sci-fi drama series hits streaming March 31. Out of nowhere, thousands of teenage girls around the world begin harnessing the power to electrocute others, as electric jolts pour out of their fingertips. Since a multitude of girls can now utilize this power however they wish, it completely upends society as we know it. Depending on how well the girl can wield her power, she could send a piece of paper into flames, light a car on fire, or even take down a potential assailant. So, now that girls really have the power, will they be able to keep it? (Prime Video)

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Contract Bridge

DELICATE HANDLING

South dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ Q 5
♥ 7 6
♦ 10 8 5 4 3 2
♣ K Q 9

WEST

♠ A K 10 8 4
♥ 9 8
♦ A Q 9 7
♣ 5 4

EAST

♠ J 3 2
♥ 2
♦ K J 6
♣ J 10 8 7 6 2

SOUTH

♠ 9 7 6
♥ A K Q J 10 5 4 3
♦ —
♣ A 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥		3♦	
3♥		3♠	
5♥(1)		Dble	
5♥		Dble	
		Pass	
		Pass	

Opening lead — king of spades.

Although bridge often requires strict adherence to stringent rules, it occasionally does allow for some truly creative opportunities. As a case in point, consider this deal from a national championship many years ago.

South was Dick Freeman, at the time a young Washington, D.C., expert who was also one of the original Quiz Kids of radio fame. For Freeman, how best to handle the South hand was a test of psychology as well as skill. His concern was how to reach the best final contract without revealing too

much to the opponents about what he actually had.

He started, modestly enough, with one heart. Over West's double, North bid three diamonds, denoting a long suit in a weak hand. After East doubled, Freeman "retreated" to three hearts, confident that the auction would not die there because both opponents were bidding strongly.

As expected, the bidding continued, with East raising three spades to four. At this point, Freeman made the imaginative bid of five diamonds. It was a well-reasoned choice, showing great faith in his partner.

This bid could not be construed as an attempt to play in diamonds because Freeman had earlier refused to play in three diamonds doubled. Consequently, it would make no sense that he would now want to play in five diamonds.

The message transmitted to North, therefore, was that if West eventually became declarer in a spade contract, Freeman wanted a diamond lead. An initial diamond lead against five spades doubled would have produced a three-trick set for plus 800.

As it happened, this creative bid went to waste when West elected to double five hearts instead at his next turn. Freeman made the contract easily for a score of plus 650, but the result was anticlimactic.

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by Steve Becker

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

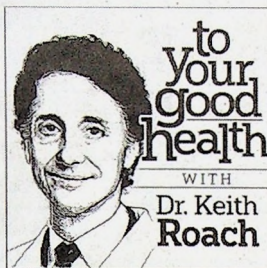
Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

X I B U L J O E P G C V O O Z D B O ' U I P Q ?

P O F U I B U J T N B E F P G D I P D P M B U F

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Longtime Cannabis User Still Tests Positive Weeks After Quitting

DEAR DR. ROACH: I am a 68-year-old male who has used cannabis for 51 years. During that time span, I graduated from high school and college with two bachelor's degrees and two master's degrees, and I spent 35 years as an accomplished educator, motivational speaker and author. I have been married to the same person for 31 years and have a wide circle of friends.

Twenty-five years ago, I had my thyroid removed due to cancer, and I currently take medication. I also inject testosterone and take medications for blood pressure and cholesterol, as well as Xanax. I retired to a life that involves little travel, choosing instead to spend my time reading, researching, writing and being active in my community. Once I began to notice a loss of motivation and diminished memory, I became proactive and decided to give up cannabis.

I have had no trouble quitting cold turkey and have no desire to return to it. My memory has vastly improved, and I still enjoy all the things that made my retirement enjoyable before I made this decision. After 10 weeks of not using, I still test positive for the metabolites using THC testing strips. I have read that normal detoxing for a heavy user is anywhere from six weeks to two months.

To aid in the process, I drink half a glass of lemon juice in the morning, drink two gallons of water or detox tea a day, cut red meat and dairy from my diet,

spend an hour a day on the treadmill, and spend 40 minutes in a steam bath.

How long should I expect to continue testing positive? Is there anything else I can do to speed up the passing of the metabolites?? -- Anon.

ANSWER: The active form of THC, the primary chemical in cannabis that causes the psychoactive effects (i.e., the effects for people to feel "high"), accumulates in the fat cells, where it can be stored for long periods of time.

Research in laboratory animals confirms that losing weight over the long-term releases the stored THC from the fat, making it more likely that a urine test will be positive in people who are losing weight (which might be the case with you, given your exercise and diet). Heavy users have told me that they feel like they are "coming out of a fog" for up to six months after stopping the use of cannabis. However, I can't give you any evidence-based answer on how long you will continue to show positive results.

I don't think drinking water and tea, nor the steam bath, are significantly helping you get rid of the accumulated THC in the body, but the diet and exercise changes probably are, if you are losing fat as I suspect. Even if you aren't losing weight, you may be getting more muscular due to exercise and losing fat?

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Answer

One that is made of chocolate? What kind of bunny can't hop?

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

Food Prices to Rise Again this Year

Brace yourself, this is going to hurt: The price of all food is likely to go up an additional 7.9% this year. Food we eat at home is predicted to go up 8.6%, per the Economic Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Specifically, here are some of their expectations for price increases: Eggs up 37.8% (we've already seen some of that), dairy up 7.2%, cereals and bakery up 12.8%, fresh vegetables up 3%.

Some of us are going to be in trouble, if we aren't already.

Here are some ideas to keep food on the table:

Design your menu from the weekly sales flyer from your local store. Shop early before the sales items are gone. Stock up if you can on shelf-stable items and some multipurpose basics. Think: rice, pasta, soups.

Explore recipes online and search for inexpensive meals for seniors. You can even — don't laugh — look up websites with recipes for poor college students. (Some of them are quite creative.) Look up "nutritionally dense foods" to ensure that you're getting value for your shopping dollar.

Encourage your senior center (or even the rec center) to hold classes for seniors on how to put meals on the table without breaking the bank.

Call Meals on Wheels to see if you qualify for free meals. Use the food bank. Look up Commodity Supplemental Food Programs (CSFP) for your state and see if you qualify for a free food box each month.

Become a label reader again, especially if you're shopping by price and are considering buying foods you don't normally eat. Watch the sodium, carbs and calories.

Ask your doctor if you should take a daily vitamin supplement to get you through this period where your nutrition might not be the best. Good nutrition is a big part of staying healthy.

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1. Which song had to be changed before it could get radio airplay because it started with the sounds of a siren?

2. Name the artist who wrote and released "For the Love of Him."

3. Who had an international hit with "Up in a Puff of Smoke"?

4. Who used the stage name Lobo?

5. Name the song that contains these lyrics: "I've been a puppet, a pauper, a pirate, a poet, a pawn and a king."

Answers

1. "Indiana Wants Me," by R. Dean Taylor in 1970. The police siren at the beginning of the song caused drivers to pull off the road, thinking the siren was real.

2. Bobbi Martin, in 1969. For a real treat, search YouTube for Martin's videos, especially "Bridge Over Troubled Water."

3. Polly Brown, in 1974. While it climbed charts worldwide, it ranked highest (No. 3) on the Billboard Dance/Disco chart.

4. Roland Kent LaVoie, singer-songwriter of the hit "Me and You and a Dog Named Boo."

5. "That's Life," made famous by Frank Sinatra in 1966. It's been widely used, including in the Tony Hawk's Underground 2 video game in 2004. The song was first recorded, however, by Marion Montgomery in 1963.

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MORE THAN 140 "Shamrock Splashers" hit the cold, clean water at Constitution Beach in East Boston March 12th and raised a record-breaking \$57,000 at the JetBlue Shamrock Splash to support Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Better Beaches Program partnership with the Department of Conservation & Recreation. *Courtesy Photos*

'Shamrock Splashers' Raise \$57,000 For Beach Programs

\$5,066 Raised For Quincy Free Beach Events, Programs

On Sunday, March 12th more than 140 "Shamrock Splashers" hit the cold, clean water at Constitution Beach in East Boston and raised a record-breaking \$57,000 at the JetBlue Shamrock Splash to support Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Better Beaches Program partnership with the Department of Conservation & Recreation.

"The Better Beaches program invested more than ever in our community and beaches last year to focus on improving access for people of color, people with disabilities and non-English speakers," said Quincy state rep. Tackey Chan. "I'm incredibly proud of the Commonwealth's increased commitment in 2023 so even more people can experience these amazing coastal resources."

Quincy was a big winner at the 2023 event, raising more than \$5,066 for free beach events and programs!

"Last year, Save the Harbor awarded Better Beaches grants to Quincy organizations such as Friends of Wollaston Beach, and A Trike Called Funk and Quincycles to support Bike to the Beach and Boogie at Wollaston Beach," said Executive Director Chris Mancini. "This year the money will be granted out for more kids festivals, bike rides, dance parties, concerts, and more."

For the first time this year, Save the Harbor also hosted the Shamrock Dash which featured runners warming up with a 1 km race before participating in the splash.

This year's participants won prizes for biggest fundraiser and best costumes, including flights on JetBlue and great swag from Harpoon Brewery. Participants also enjoyed empanadas, chowder, Arctic Chill Hard Seltzer and Harpoon after their splash.

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay's Executive Director Chris Mancini thanked their program partners and event sponsors, including JetBlue, Harpoon Brewery, FMC Ice Sports, P&G Gillette, National Grid, Coast Cannabis, the Daily Catch, Comcast, Mix 104.1, The Blue Sky Collaborative, and The Richard Saltonstall Charitable Foundation.

Mancini also thanked Metropolitan Beaches Commission Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn, and Representative Adrian Madaro of East Boston and the legislative and community members of the Commission as well as Senate President Karen Spilka and House Speaker Ron Mariano for their support for our beaches and our communities. They also want to thank the Healey-Driscoll Administration, the Massachusetts



CONGRATULATIONS TO TOP fundraiser Dave Nardella of Charlestown, who raised \$3,401 for Save the Harbor's Shamrock Splash this year. From left to right: Charlie Storey of Harpoon Brewery, Maya Smith of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, Rep. Jessica Giannino of Revere, Donnie Todd of JetBlue, and John Murphy, Jeff Reagan and Dave Nardella of the Half & Half fundraiser, and Chris Mancini of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay.

Legislature, our partners at the Department of Conservation and Recreation, the Boston Centers for Youth & Families, the YMCA of Greater Boston, and the hundreds of people who took part in the Shamrock Splash for their support.

Proceeds from this year's Shamrock Splash will be invested in free "Better Beaches" events and programs on the metropolitan region's public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull. More information is available on the Save the Harbor/Save the Bay website at www.savetheharbor.org.



SHAMROCK SPLASHERS brave the cold water for a mid-winter plunge to benefit Save the Harbor/Save the Bay.



RUNNERS TOOK OFF from the starting line as they competed in the first ever Shamrock Dash.



PARTICIPANTS HAD FUN dressing up and splashing in an entertaining display of costumes.

FINANCIAL FOCUS: What Goes Into A Retirement 'Paycheck?'

During your working years, you generally know how much money you're bringing in, so you can budget accordingly. But once you're retired, it's a different story. However, with some diligence, you can put together a "paycheck" that can help you meet your income needs.

Where will this paycheck come from? Social Security benefits should replace about 40% of one's pre-retirement earnings, according to the Social Security Administration, but this figure varies widely based on an individual's circumstances. Typically, the higher your income before you retire, the lower the percentage will be replaced by Social Security. Private pensions have become much rarer in



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recent decades, though you might receive one if you worked for a government agency or a large company. But in any case, to fill out your retirement paycheck, you may need to draw heavily on your investment portfolio.

Your portfolio can provide you with income in these ways:

- **Dividends** – When you were working, and you didn't have to depend on your portfolio for income to the extent you will when you're retired, you may have reinvested the dividends you received from stocks and stock-based mutual funds, increasing the number of shares you own in these investments. And that was a good move, because increased share ownership is a great way to help build wealth. But once you're retired, you may need to start accepting the dividends to boost your cash flow.

- **Interest payments** – The interest payments from bonds and other fixed-income investments,

such as certificates of deposit (CDs), can also add to your retirement income. In the years immediately preceding their retirement, some investors increase the presence of these interest-paying investments in their portfolio. (But even during retirement, you'll need some growth potential in your investments to help keep you ahead of inflation.)

- **Proceeds from selling investments** – While you will likely need to begin selling investments once you're retired, you'll need to be careful not to liquidate your portfolio too quickly. How much can you sell each year? The answer depends on several factors – your age, the size of your portfolio, the amount of income you receive from

other sources, your spouse's income, your retirement lifestyle, and so on. A financial professional can help you determine the amount and type of investment sales that are appropriate for your needs while considering the needs of your portfolio over your lifetime.

When tapping into your investments as part of your retirement paycheck, you'll also want to pay special attention to the amount of cash in your portfolio. It's a good idea to have enough cash available to cover a year's worth of your living expenses, even after accounting for other sources of income, such as Social Security or pensions. In addition, you may want to set aside sufficient cash for emergencies. Not only will

these cash cushions help you with the cost of living and unexpected costs, but they might also enable you to avoid digging deeper into your long-term investments than you might like.

You may be retired for a long time – so take the steps necessary to build a consistent retirement paycheck.

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Quincy Multicultural Festival At Fore River Clubhouse May 13th

The Quincy Multicultural Festival is back for its second year to continue the celebration of the city's vibrant diversity.

The Quincy Public Schools and the Quincy Multicultural Festival team are hosting a free Multicultural Festival on May 13, from noon to 4 p.m. at Fore River Clubhouse, 16 Ne-

vada Rd., Quincy.

The Quincy Public Schools are home to 80 unique cultures, and the Quincy Multicultural Festival is an opportunity for QPS families to showcase their cultures and connect with families across the city and across cultures. Festival attendance is free and open to the public, and all

QPS families are invited to sign up and showcase their cultures through table displays, dance performances, music, and more! Participation forms will be available through each school, as well as the Quincy Multicultural Festival Facebook page (facebook.com/quincymulticultural/).

Like last year's festival,

which drew over 1,000 attendees, the event on May 13th will include culturally diverse cuisine from food trucks and local restaurants. Kids and adults will have the opportunity to participate in cultural games, activities, and crafts, as well as raffles to win prizes.

Social and parent services organizations, such as ELPAC (English Learners

Parent Advisory Council), will also be at the event to help families learn more about the services they offer our community. Last year, social organizations like QARI (Quincy Asian Resources Inc.) and BCNC Quincy (Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center) participated in the festival.

Quincy Multicultural Festival is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Individ-

uals or organizations wishing to help keep the festival accessible to all families are encouraged to contact us at quincymulticulturalfestival@gmail.com for information about making a charitable contribution.

For festival updates and more information, follow the Quincy Multicultural Festival on Facebook and Instagram @quincy_multicultural_festival.

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